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Saturday, 2 P.M. 1906.				
7th Apl.	ORIENTAL	6394	MOOLTAN	10000
14th "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
20th "	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
28th "	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
5th May	ORIENTAL	6394	VICTORIA	6522
12th "	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
19th "	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6804
26th "	MACEDONIA	10512	.....	.....
2nd June	ORIENTAL	6294	INDIA	7911
9th "	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
16th "	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
23rd "	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
30th "	ORIENTAL	6394	DONGOLA	6522

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Baroda, 4th April, 1906.

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Bombay, 4th April, 1906.

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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report, Audited Balance-Sheet, and Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st December, 1905.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To confirm the appointment of Mr. H. Solomon as a Director.
4. To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 9th April, 1906, to THURSDAY, the 26th April, 1905, both days inclusive,

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ARDESHIR EDULJEE DALAL,
Secretary.

No. 3, Forbes Street, Fort,
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THIS COMPANY has been formed for the purpose of acquiring land in Bombay and erecting thereon a Cotton Spinning and Weaving Mill and carrying on the same.

Owing to the great revival that has recently taken place in the Cotton Mill Industry of this country many old Mills, which about two years ago were practically unsaleable and could only be worked at a loss, have been making excellent returns during the past year. The demand for both Yarn and Cloth has overtaken the supply, and the result is that old Mills, as well as those that have newer machinery, are able to work at a handsome profit. It has been possible for some time past to buy cotton and sell the Yarn or Cloth to be produced therefrom at a good profit for six months or even one year ahead.

Mill Shares are now being bought at very large premiums, and the present is an opportunity of obtaining an investment in a new Mill at par instead of paying the high prices Mill Shares are now commanding, with this advantage that, if the Industry should not be in such a flourishing condition at any future time, an up-to-date Mill and one kept up to date, as this Mill will be, should always be in a position to work at a good profit. Mills with looms have done very well, even before the recent period of great prosperity and particularly when worked as this one will be, on a "Commission on profits" and not on a "Commission on outturn" basis. There seems to be an almost unlimited enquiry for country-made cloth, and such cloth is competing more and more with imported cloth.

With a view to make a certainty of success the Directors are strongly of opinion that a loom shed should be erected, so that the Mill will be both a Spinning and a Weaving Mill.

Several plots of land have been inspected and it is proposed to purchase the piece most suitable as regards site and price.

It is proposed to commence with 30,000 ring spindles and 600 looms and to have ample engine power and accommodation to extend the Mill when considered desirable.

Out of the 6,000 shares to which the present issue is limited, 3,020 Shares have been taken up by the Directors, Agents, and their friends. The Directors now offer the remainder of the Shares (viz., 2,980 Shares) to the public, and the Agents will be glad to receive applications for them.

A favourable arrangement has been arrived at with Messrs. Finlay, Muir and Co., who have been appointed the Agents of the Company and have agreed to receive as remuneration for the management of the Company a fixed salary of Rs. 1,000 per month from the date of the registration of the Company and a commission of 10 per cent on the net annual income of the Company before setting aside any sums as a reserve or depreciation fund.

The Agents' firm is very well known throughout India, and they have had the experience of managing a Bombay Mill (Spinning and Weaving) and of bringing it up-to-date as regards machinery, &c. They can also claim to have had much experience in cotton buying, which is one of the most important factors in mill management, the judicious selection of the right kind of cotton, for the purpose for which it is wanted, making a great difference in production.

Applications for Shares should be made to the Bankers of the Company together with the amount payable on application. If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned without reduction, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, the surplus will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment.

Forms of application for Shares may be obtained from the Agents.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company may be inspected at the Office of the Company's Solicitors.

Dated at Bombay the 2nd of April, 1906.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

MESSRS W & A GRAHAM & Co., are prepared to receive TENDERS for the CONSTRUCTION of BUILDINGS, Moatwalls, etc., in connection with a Bulk Oil Installation to be erected at Sewree and such filling in of the site as may be required.

Plans of the proposed Buildings may be seen at the offices of the undersigned from whom all particulars, form of Tender and Specification may be obtained on payment of Rs. 5 which sum will not be returned.

Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 2,000 and delivered at the Offices of Messrs W & A Graham & Co., not later than 12 o'clock MONDAY the 16th of April.

All tenders should be sealed and endorsed on the outside "Tender for oil Installation."

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VICTORIA JUBILEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, BYCULLA, BOMBAY.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of STORES required for this Institute during 1906-7 and will be received at the Office of the undersigned at Byculla up to noon of WEDNESDAY the 18th April, 1906. Particulars can be obtained from the office.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Hon. Secretary.

TENDERS are invited for the carrying out of General Repairs to the buildings of the Institute and will be received at the Office of the undersigned at Byculla up to noon of WEDNESDAY, the 18th April, 1906. Full details can be obtained from the Office.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Hon. Secretary.

THE SASSOON AND ALLIANCE SILK MILL CO., LD.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at its registered office No 8, Forbes Street, Fort, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of April, 1906, at 4 P. M. to transact the following business :—

1. To receive Directors' Report and Audited Balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1905.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To confirm the appointment of Mr. H. Solomon as a Director made by the Board.
4. To elect two Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation but who are eligible for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors for the year ending 31st December, 1906, and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th day of April to 2nd day of May, 1906, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd,
S. M. MOSES, Director.
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay 4th April, 1906.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

EDWARD VII by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration with the last will and testament annexed of the property and credits of KARA JETHA late of Bombay, Kadia Hindu Inhabitant, (a widower) a contractor deceased,

RUDAWALLA, of Bombay, Kadia Hindu Inhabitant a SAGOTRA SAPINDA of the deceased abovenamed a mason residing at Khoja Street outside the Fort, appointed by an order made herein on the 23rd day of November, 1905, to apply for the use and benefit of GOKULDAS, the minor son of the deceased .....Petitioner.

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of administration.

Witness SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, K. C. I. E. Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 'twenty-eighth day of March in the year of our Lord, 1906, and in the Sixth year of our Reign.

L. N. BANAJI,
Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

A. M. KAJIJI.
The 28th day of March, 1906.
Messrs. DIKSHIT DHUNJISHA & SOONDERDAS,
Petitioner's Attorneys.

ROYAL ALFRED SAILORS' HOME SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held in the Library of the Home on WEDNESDAY, the 11th April, 1906, at 5-30 P. M. Subscribers and all interested in the welfare of Seamen and the Society are invited.

F. E. HARDCASTLE,
Honorary Secretary.

SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY.

MAHABLESHWAR SEASON, 1906.
ADDITIONAL TRAIN SERVICE.

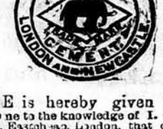
WATHAR SPECIAL. A light SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAIN, having limited accommodation, will be RUN DAILY between the 1st April and 15th June, 1906. It will leave Poona at 2 hours 40 minutes, after the arrival there, of the Bombay-Madras Mail Train starting at 21 hours 30 minutes from Victoria Terminus and is timed to arrive at Wathar at 6 hours 45 minutes. Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers will be reserved by it in the order registered, for the number of berths available only, on application to the Station Master, Poona.

W. B. WRIGHT,
Traffic Manager.

Dharwar, 27th March, 1906.

NOTICE.

ELEPHANT BRAND CEMENT.



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Under instructions from N. C. Macleod Esq. Official Assignee and assignee of the Estate of Ebrahim Hassam and another insolvents, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will, THIS DAY FRIDAY the 6th instant at 11-30 a.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at Palkhi Monolla, Khadak, 4 Oil Mills, 6 bullocks, scale with weights, sweet oil etc.

Cash will be required at the time of sale.

SALE OF 100 BALES BENGAL COTTON.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 6th instant, at 5 p.m., (Standard Time), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at the Jutha of Messrs. D. B. Lun & Co., Colaba, by order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser, Deokinand Beharilal.

100 bale Time Machine Ginned Bengal Cotton.

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AUCTION SALE OF THE YACHT JANETTA.

Under instructions from the Honorary Secretary R. K. Yacht Fund, Messrs CRAWFORD & CO., will sell by public Auction TO-MORROW SATURDAY the 7th instant, (S T) the Yacht Janetta, now lying at the Sassoon Dock Colaba with all her fittings and accessories. She was brought out from England in 1893. She has been race 1 this year and won two races at the Yacht Club Regatta.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned, the yacht is now open for inspection at the Sassoon Dock, Colaba.

AUCTION SALE of a New Pucca-Built Bungalow on the Gorebunder Road, near the Paria Station, B. B. & C. I Ry.

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The above is on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 9th instant, at 2-30 p. m., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece goods and the following :—

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CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 6th April, 1906.

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MENESSE & Co.,

Bombay, 6th April, 1906.

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TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 7th instant, at 3-30 p.m. Messrs BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, &c.

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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS opened, and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 12 months or shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

F. H. SUTTON,
Manager.

BOMBAY OFFICE,
42/48, Church Gate Street.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	£1,125,000
PAID UP CAPITAL	£562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£562,500
RESERVE FUNDS	£125,000

HEAD OFFICE :
40, Threadneedle Street, London, E. C.

LONDON BANKERS :
The Bank of England.
The London Joint Stock Bank.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES :

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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.

The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms :—

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks and Shares, and receives same for safe custody, realising Interest and dividends when due.

JAMES MURDOCH,
Manager.

Esplanade Road, Bombay.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital	$ 100,00,000
Sterling Reserve Fund	$ 100,00,000
Silver Reserve Fund	$ 9,500,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	$ 100,00,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS AND HEAD OFFICE IN HONGKONG :

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

London Bankers.—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY LD.,
LONDON COMMITTEE.

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WM. GAIR RATHBONE, Esq., (Director, Peninsular And Oriental Steam Navigation Co.)
JOHN WALTER, Esq.
A. M. TOWNSEND, C. S. ADDIS Esqr. } Managers.

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BATAVIA.	ILOILO.	SAIGON.
BOMBAY.	LYONS.	SAN FRANCISCO.
CALCUTTA.	MANILA.	SINGAPORE.
COLOMBO.	NAGASAKI.	SOURABAYA.
FOOCHOW.	NEW YORK.	TIENTSIN
HAMBURG.	PEKING.	YOKOHAMA.

BOMBAY AGENCY

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 1 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000 but no Interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half yearly.

FIXED DEPOSITS

Are received for 12 months and for shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Credits granted on approved Securities and every Description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

Drafts granted on London and the chief commercial place in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

J. A. JEFFREY, Acting Agent.
7 Church Gate Street, Bombay.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

CAPITAL	£800,000
RESERVE FUND	£375,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£800,000

HEAD OFFICE:
HATTON COURT, THREADNEEDLE STREET LONDON.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES

Hamburg	Medan, Deli (Sumatra)	Hongkong
Bombay	Singapore	Foochow
Karachi	Kwala Lumpor	Saigon
Calcutta	Bangkok	Shanghai
Madras	Batavia	Tientsin
Rangoon	Sourabaya	H

SINCE 1868

We have been widely known and famed for the excellent quality of our

HAMS, AND BACON CHEESE.

To-day this quality is fully maintained, and every care is taken in order that all goods may be despatched and delivered in the very best condition.

HAMS

	Rs. A.
Finest pale Cumberland, Special Cure, from 8 to 25 lbs. each, ...per lb.	1 2
Cooked, ready for table, whole or half Ham, ...	„ 2 0
Cooked, in slices	„ 2 8

BACON

Harris' Crown Brand, Real Wilt's Middle, Special Cure, 90 to 30 lbs. each... „	1 2
Harris' Crown Brand, Wilt's Belly, Special Cure, 10 to 18 lbs. each .... „	1 0
Boneless in slices ....per tin	1 4

Bacon in Canvas at original weights.

BACON on cut. ONE ANNA per Pound Extra.

CHEESE

	Rs. A
GORGONZOLA Real, 12 to 18 lbs. each ....per lbs.	1 4
GORGONZOLA Real, on cut.... „	1 6
Cheshire, English .... „	1 0
Gruyere, finest quality .... „	1 0
Cheddar, Pale Loaf, about 12 lbs. each .... „	0 14
American Cheshire .... „	0 12
Double Gloster .... „	0 14
Edams, Dutch (whole Cheese only about 4 lbs. each) .... „	0 12
Imperial in Jars....per jar	1 0
Camembert, in tins .. ....pea tin	1 4

New price List on Application.

OYSTERS NOW IN SEASON.

W. B. GREEN & CO.,

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SINCE 1868.

SCIENTIFIC EXTERMINATION OF RATS BY

DANYSZ VIRUS

Successfully used on the Royal Estate, Sandringham.

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No inconvenience from dead rats.

Major-General Sir FREDERICK CARRINGTON writes:—"I am glad to say that after several applications of the Virus I have, I believe, completely cleared the rats out of my farm buildings, stables, kennels pheasantries, wares and etc. at Hilcot, which I have never before succeeded in doing.

From PELHAM BURN, Esq. Pit Chroy, Blucks boat, Morayshire May 15th, 1905:—It is the best stuff I ever used for exterminating rats.

Price Rs. 2-8 per tube.

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ESPLANADE PHARMACY, BOMBAY.

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL.

ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE,

Opposite the Town Hall.

Further extensions and renovations.

Rooms airy and commodious

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Rates from Rs. 2-8 to Rs. 4-0 per day.

Special arrangements for monthly Boarders and Families making a prolonged stay.

Cuisine a Speciality.

Apply to the MANAGER.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Wallace, 2522 tons, Captain W Smith, will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer Glendhu, 2623 tons, Captain E Taylor, will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer Queensland, 2422 tons, Captain R A Gray sailed yesterday for Calcutta in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Crissa, 3525 tons, Captain F Gun-Cunningham, sailed yesterday for Calcutta, in ballast.

THE steamer Alcana, 2312 tons, Captain D Morgan, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta, with a cargo of coal.

THE steamer Grantley Hall, 2585 tons, Captain J Jens, sailed yesterday for Melbourne and Sydney, with the same bottom and general cargo.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

H M	Redbreast	Lt Comdr W Hose ....Royal Navy
H M S	Sphinx	Comdr W S Bowman ....Royal Navy
Three	Torpedo Boats	....Royal Navy

In the Stream

H I M S	Dufferin	Comdr Warden....H I M
H I M S	Hardinge	Comdr J H B St John....R I Marine
H I M S	Elphinstone	Lt Comdr M W Farewell...R I Marine

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—April 5.

Chusan	3859	Kenrick	P & O Co
Goolpara	1894	Muir	M M & Co
Madras	1113	Mylerist	B & P S N Co
Mo attri	1587	Moloney	B & P S N Co
Okhla	2425	McClelland	M M & Co
Grantley Hall	2585	Jenes	Graham & Co
Titania	2124	Remnant	T M & Co
Wallace	2522	Smith	Graham & Co
Waroonga	1609	Butle	M M & Co
Flavian	2231	Wor	Cory Bros & Co
Glendrina	1026	Robertson	W & A G & Co
Farrington	2278	Chaplin	R A Willis
Sirsa	1072	Sullivan	M M & Co
Goolkaria	2126	Walker	M M & Co
Danolly	2127	Young	W & A G & Co
Haidari	1563	Watson	B & P S N Co
Ruthergien	1742	Burns	F M & Co
Baron Innerdale	2150	Fullerton	W & A G
Kola	670	Ramage	M M & Co
Alcona	2312	Margan	W & A Graham & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Dat	Agents.
A	Clan Ranald	2565	M-clintosh	F Muir & Co		
B	Akbar	144	Baldwin	Aden	7-4	H C Joseph
C&E	Sutton Hall	2870	Dowse	K'chi	7-4	K N & Co
D&E	C Dhattan	2100	Makcpiace	Genoa	14-4	F M & Co
H	General	2160	Fens	Colombo	6-4	A Strachan
K	Ville de Majunga	2294	Brehant	Havre	20-4	K N & Co
M	Dangola	3137	Phillips	China & Japan	17-4	P & O Co
N	Sultan	3816	Barmeister	Z'bar	29-4	A Strachan
O	India	2784	Cogilco			F R S N Co
P	Westonley	2175	Jones	P'delphia	9-4	R A Willis
Q	Farringford	2378	Phapin	N'port	7-4	R A Willis

P D HARBOUR WALL

Mahanadi	547	Hoosein	K'chi	7-4	Shpd & Co
Kaveri	552	Mhd	B'negar	7-4	Shpd & Co

20 ton crane

Sabarmati	524	Ahmad	M'lore	6-4	Shpd & Co

M W DRY DOCK

Glendhu	2623	Taylor		5-4	T M & Co
Egypt	4178	Lenobh	London	14-4	P & O Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

2	Nubia	3319	Tait	L'pool	11-4 W & A G & Co
5	Franconia	27-6	Cebalo	D'kirk	14-4 A L S & Co
6	Tientsin	2555	Andrews	Kobe	7-4 P & O Co
7	Marco de Veloria	2683	Barbole	Trieste	21-4 A L S N Co
4	Gisela	2240	Fetzis	Calcutta	6-4 A L S N Co
8	Austria	4879	Calledani		A L S N Co
9	Ulixes	3310	Jones	London	14-4 P & O Co
10&11	Colaba	6018	Robertson	London	7-4 M M & Co
15	Kalebia	3149	Walker	Kobe	7-4 Glade & Co
16	Grantley Hall	2585	Jeans	Melbourne	5-4 W & A G

H W V D

Khan	916	Rothewell	K'chi	6-4	M M & Co

ARRIVAL.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
5	Alcona	Morgan	Calcutta Mar 28

DEPARTURES.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
5	Maderia	Mylcrest	Jedah &c
	Kola	Ramage	Persian Gulf
	Orissa	Gun-Cunningham	Calcutta
	Grantley Hall	Jens	Sydney &c
	Queensland	Gray	Calcutta

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Wallace, Smith, for Calcutta.
„ Glendhu, Taylor, for Calcutta

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—

Steamer D Baldwin, for Genoa, &c
„ Isetia, for China

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Apr.	Vessels.	Names.	From
1	Fulwell	J G Saville	London
	Nothumbria	G H Chesshire	Simons Bay
	Stella	D F Macdonald	Rangoon
	Iria	T Johnstone	London
	Khodoung	H E Stevens	Rangoon
2	Periak	H Sloge	Sumatra
	Syrium	J Younger	Rangoon

DEPARTURES.

3	Hydra	A Knudson	Singapore
	Byculla	J F Crookston	Chittagong

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

28	Clan Leslie	Bombay
28	Vortigern	Calcutta
31	Marksburg	London
31	Clan Lamont	Liverpool
April		
2	Manora	London
3	Clan Lindsay	Cocanada
3	Pentakota	Negapatam

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Maclean arrived in London on the morning of the 4th instant.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Gordon, arrived at Suez from Colombo, Madras and Calcutta on the morning of the 3rd instant.

The German East Africa Line steamer Kaiser, arrived at Mombasa, from Bombay this morning, via Lamu.

HIGH COURT.—April 6.

(Before the Hon the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon Mr Justice BATTY)

Appeal for hearing and final disposal

1 38...Crawford B and Co...The Advocate General of Bombay and others vs Mahomed Cassum Dharamsey—E D Ebrhoff—Part heard

1422...Ardeseir H B and Co—Ratilal Chhaganlal vs Muljibhai Asharam Oza—Hiralal S

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice RUSSELL.

After Sessions work is over Contested Chamber Matters.

Before the Hon'ble Mr JUSTICE SCOTT.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

495-01—Dhanbai D—and S Keshav Luxmon vs Bhagirathibai widow—Daphtary F and D

836-05—Madhavji and K—Lalubhai Ishwarlal vs C E Randle and another—Smellam B and N

784-05—Malvi H M and B—Cursondas Heerjee vs Bhugwandas Hemraj—Daphtary F and D

313-05—Sorabji and J—Khasbar Shri Mansur Alla vs Anandrao Vinayak and another—Little and Co

902-99—Bicknell M and R Baboolal Homandrai and another vs The Ripon Manufacturing Co Limited—Daphtary F and D

727-05—Edgelow G and W—Mahomedally Kaderbhoy and others vs Tyabaly Ahmedjee and another—Jehangir and S

590-05—K J Billimoria—Lalljee Hamjee vs Sursing Mathuradas and other—Madhowjee and K

632-05—K B Mehta—Nartayan Hassoo and others vs Ananta Rama—M B Chothia

574-05—M B Chothia—Falsukhbai Fulchand vs Mulji Hunsraj and Co and others

603-05 to 610-05—Mirza and M—Wamanrao Wasudeo vs Dhaklibai widow—Payne and Co

802-05—Mirza and M—Soonderbai widow vs Dhaklibai widow Payne and Co

22-05—Payne and Co—Bapoosai Lallcobhai vs Dayaram Hurjivan and others—Bhaishunker K and J

831-05—Pestonji R and K—Bhikaji Framji Khan and another vs Tribhowandas Mangaldas Nathoobhy and another Crawford B and Co

899-04—Mulla and M—Gokibai widow vs Khatas Morarji and others—Bhai-hunker K and G

900-04—Thakurdas and Co—Abiool Hoosein—Ncorbhoy vs Abdulally Mahomedally and another—Little and Co

179-05—Inperson Matubai widow vs Curson Dinersey

1104-04—Unwalla and P—Cassum alias Bachoo Abdul Sattar and another vs Seedick Haji Mahomed Sullaman and others—Payne and Co

555-03—Little and Co—Morarji Anandji and others vs Kallanji Jairam Naranji and others—Dikshit D and S

218-05—Wadia G and Co—Banubai widow and another vs Jehangir Shapurjee Pastagia and another—Edgelow

845-05—Wadia G and Co—Blanche John M Lecce vs Richard John M Lecce—Sorabji and K

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D, COMMANDING,

Bombay, April 6.

134 Rifle Meeting—It is notified for information that the Anwal Rifle Meeting will commence on Saturday the 7th instant, at Ghat Kopar, commencing at 7 a m with Matches Nos 1 and 2.

By Order,
G. D. FRIDE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

HOW TO KEEP COOL

All who suffer from the heat should add a few drops of Condy's Fluid to the Daily Bath.

A Condy's Fluid Bath imparts a delightful sensation of Coolness, Freshness and Purity. It invigorates the body and braces the nerves. The Cooling effect is Simply Magical—It is so lasting.

Condy's Fluid is sold by all Chemists. Beware of substitutes, all of which are inferior in composition and strength. Insist on having "Condy's Fluid."

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, APRIL 4.

SECURITIES—

2½ per cent. Consols	91 3-16	=	+ 1-16
2½ do. Rentes	99 1-4	=	unchanged
3½ do. Indian Sterling Loan	105	=	do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	86 3 8	=	do

SILVER—

Spot in London	29 11 16	=	do
2 months hence	29 5-16	=	— 1-16
Spot in New York	64 1-4	=	unchanged

EXCHANGES.

Paris cheques	25 12	=	— 1
Berlin	20 46 3 4	=	unchanged
New York Demand	4 85 1-4	=	+ 1-8

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	4	per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3	do	= do
6 „ „ „	2 7-8	do	= — 1-8
3 „ „ Fine Trade Bills	3 5-8	do	= unchanged
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 5-8	do	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	3 1-8	do	= + 3-8
7 day markets loans	3 7-8	do	= — 1-8

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 30,09,000

Rs. 10'00	were allotted to	Calcutta	
Rs. 9'46	do	Bombay	
Rs. 2'40	do	Madras	

Rs. 22'40 at 1s 3 31-32d

Minimum rate received 31 per cent, average rate 15-97

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs.	nil	were allotted to	Calcutta
Rs.	7'60	do	Bombay
Rs.	nil	do	Madras

Rs. 7'60 at 1s. 4d

Minimum rate received 3: per cent. average rate 16 00

Total amount sold during the week, Rs. 45,60,000

Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 21,00,000

Extra allotments, Bills on Bombay, Rs. 40,000 at 1s 4d

SUGAR—

German granulated 1st marks 10 6 April done firm

RUBBER—

Para Rubber 5s 5d value

WHEAT—

Red Karachi 29 J-J done dull

RAPESEED—

Yellow Guzerat 43 3-4 — 1-4 A-M sellers easier

Yellow Cawnpore 42 1-2 — 1-8 A-M done easier

Brown 39 3-4 — 1-4 A-M sellers easier

LINSEED—

Linseed Pc'l 16 + 1-2 A-M sellers quiet

COFFEE—

Coffee in New York 8 1-16

ARRIVAL—

Steamer—Tauric

TALLOW.

Finest Australian Beef	30-0
„ „ Mutton	33-0

Tone of Auction firm

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed active. East Indian quiet. Manchester steady. Total Sales 14,000. Spot 6·03—1. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 3-4 plus 1-8. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,000. Imports 2,000. Futures closed quiet.

April-May	May-June.	June-July
5·86	5·87	5·88
		—1
July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.
5·87	5·83	5·69
—2	—3	—2
Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec-Jan
5·64	5·63	5·63
—2	—3	—2

Receipts at U S Ports		19,000
Do last year		35,000
Exports to Great Britain		1,000
Do. do Continent		6,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	11·65+10	
Futures, month of July	11·75+12	a
Do, do Dec	10·51+8	

a Declined early owing to port receipts running above expectations and advanced later in consequence of daily weather reports indicate need of moisture.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	11 1-8	
Futures, month of May	11·19+10	
Do, do. July	11·29+10	
Tone at close	steady	

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p. m. on Wednesday, 4th April 1906:—

Cotton	11,305	bales.
Wheat	7,395	cwts.
Linseed	17,658	do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	2,329	do
Gingellyseed	695	do
Poppyseed	3	do
Groundnut	1,349	do
Castorseed	5,256	do
Rice	72,696	do
Myrabollams	4,135	do
Cottonseed	6,014	do
Mowrseed	26	do
Gram	5,985	do
Jowar	3,827	do
Maize	nil	

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Silver Bullion, Rs. 1,15,286

Ex s Islander from Sydney

BOMBAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5.

EXCHANGE.—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.			1s 3 31-32d.
Bank Demand			1s. 4d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A.			1s 4 5-32d.
Do, 6 do, do.			1s. 4d
French Francs 3 do, do.			169 1-4d
Marcks 3 do, do.			138 1-4d.
Hongkong 30 Days Sight			149
Shanghai 30 do			209
Japan 30 do,			150

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	99-9
1st Settlement, 30th April	99-9

Money Market, Tone easier.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 29th March	6	do.
Bank of Bengal do. 5th April	6	do.
Bank of Madras do. 3rd do.	7	do.

SEEDS.

LINSEED—Tone steady.

	Rs	a.	p.
Ready	7	14	0
Forward May	3	4	6

RAPESEED,—Tone dull.

Brown Cawnpore May	6	14	0
Yellow Cawnpore do,	7	2	0
Yellow Guzerat do,	7	7	0

POPPYSEED—Tone quiet.

Ready	3	0	0
Forward May	3	1	0

CASTORSEED—Tone steady.

Ready	25	0	0

GINGELLYSEED—Tone dull.

Khandeish	45	8	0
15 per cent. Mixed	45	0	0
25 do. do	44	0	0
50 do. do	43	0	0
Black Kutnee	41	8	0

WHEAT—Tone quiet.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	195	185	...	Ready.
Bengals (M.-G.) Ry. terms	202	192	...	do,
Bind-Punjab (M. G.)	201	191	...	do,
Comrawuttee (descriptions)	M.-G. 215	205	...	do.
Khandeish (M.-G.)	216	205	...	do.
Julgaum (M.-G.)	212	205	...	do.
Khundwa (M.-G.)	...	209	...	do
Khangaum, fair staple (M.-G.)				
Karanja do, (M.-G.)	215	209	...	do.
Akola do. (M.-G.)				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	219	213	...	do,
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	...	225	220	do,
Broach (M.-G.)	...	217	202	259 do.
Yeotmal (M.-G.)	...	221	215	... do.
Muttia (M.-G.)	...	213	205	... do.
Dharwar (S.-G.)	...	...	...	257 25th, May
Westerns	...	...	...	236 do.

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	quiet steady.
Estimated sales	10,000 Bales
Imports	5,000 „

Apl.-May	May-June	June-July
5·91	5·92	5·93
+5	+5	+5
July-Aug.	Aug.-Sep.	Sep.-Oct.
5·92	5·88	5·74
+5	+5	+5
Oct-Nov.	Nov-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
5·69	5·68	5·8
+5	+5	+5.

COTTON.—The market is very steady with a good enquiry from the Mills and a moderate demand from exporters. Sellers are stiff but a fair turnover is reported at Colaba.

COINAGE OF BRITISH INDIAN GOVT. COINS.

The following is the statement of Silver Operations at the Bombay Mint from 23rd March to 31st March:—In Lakhs of Standard Tolas.

RECEIPTS—		
Purchased silver		39
Withdrawn and unourrent coin from Treasuries, &c		3
Native States coin		—
Total		42
COINAGE—		
New Rupees delivered to Treasuries or Currency Department		77
New Rupees made over to Native States		—
Total		77
BALANCE OF BULLION AND COIN—		
New coin ready for delivery		32
Government Bullion		65
Currency Bullion		35*
Withdrawn and uncurrent coin		8
Total		121

COINAGE OF BRITISH DOLLARS.

Receipts of Bullion for Dollar Coinage	...
Dollars Coined and paid over	...
Closing Balance of Bullion	...

* Existence of 35 of purchased silver brought on the Mint premises but not yet received.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, is Re 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BARTLETT—April 2 at Kilpauk, Madras, the wife of Mr P Bartlett, Head Master, Madras Civil Orphan Asylums, of twins (boy and girl).

RENNIE-ON—March 28, at Ferozepore, the wife of Captain A J Rennie, Army Service Corps, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

ABEL—March 30, at No 2 Section Hospital, Umballa, of small pox, Elizabeth May, the dearly beloved wife of Officiating Conductor Richard Abel, Supply and Transport Corps.

FULSON—March 30, at Fasrur, Miss Edith M Fulson, of the American Mission.

"Unless we have proteid we die.—Gamgee.

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Sun rises 5h. 51m. Sun sets, 6h. 15 m. High water, 9 8m. 9·40 a. Low water, 3·20 a.m., 3·14a. P. and O. s. s. Peninsular, with English mails of 23rd ult., due to arrive at 4 p.m.

Second Criminal Sessions, High Court.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per extra s. s. Tientsin will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p.m. to-day.

THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF BOMBAY.—A criticism lesson will be given by Miss Sharp on "Botany with brush work" at Z. B. and M. M's School, Girgaum at 6 p.m. S. T. to-day.

THE KHOJA SAJUNBHOY MERRALLY'S CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—During March, the number of Khoja patients that were treated in this Dispensary, was 2,074. Among them the number of new admission was 432; classified as follows:—Khoja men 132, women 150, children 200, total 482. The average daily attendance was 66.

JAMNADAS JIVANDAS CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—During March, the number of patients that were treated in this Dispensary, was 2,336, among them the number of new admissions was 1,0.3 classified as follows:—Hindus 790, Mussalmans 176, Parsees 2, other castes 35, total 1,003. The average daily attendance was 75.

THE VICTORIA GARDENS.—The following animals have been presented to the Zoological Collection of the Victoria Gardens:—1 Malbrouck Monkey (Cercopithecus Cynosurus) by Miss Mullen; 1 Malbrouck Monkey (Cercopithecus Cynosurus) by Mr. L. R. Mallandain; 1 Young leopard (Felis pardus) by Lt. O. Barnes; 1 Chukor partridge (Caccabis chukor) by the Natural History Society; and 2 leopards (Felis pardus) and 2 Himalayan bears (Ursus torquatus) by H. H. the Maharaja of Kapurthala.

THE STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD.—A meeting of the Current Topics Circle will be held at the bungalow of Miss S. S. Parakh, B. A., Gowalia Tank Road, near Sir P. M. Mehta's house to-morrow, the 7th inst. at 5-30 p. m., (Standard Time) when the Hon'ble Mr. Chitebgar will introduce a very interesting subject for discussion. Members of the Brotherhood are most cordially invited to attend. The Senior as well as Junior classes will meet as usual in their respective places on Sunday, the 8th inst. The former will be conducted by Mr. J. J. Vimadalal, M. A., LL. B. and the latter by Prof. N. G. Wellinker, M A., LL. B.

A RETIRED POLICE OFFICER.—After 32 years' service in the Bombay Police and 42 years' stay in India, Mr. R. H. Grennan, Superintendent of the City Police, has retired from service and has left Bombay for home. Prior to joining the police force, he was in the Dublin Fusiliers and served also as a soldier at Home, in the early sixtees during the famous Preston riot there. Mr. Grennan was a popular officer in the police force, and had proved himself one of the capable and conscientious workers, the Bombay Police ever had. He was also very well-known to the public for his useful services to them as a Police Officer. Superintendent Nolan succeeds Mr. Grennan as the Superintendent of the A Division.

ASSAULT ON A BUTLER.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday afternoon, before Mr. Kursondas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, M. Louis, a pantryman in the Taj Mahal Hotel, was charged with assaulting one Mura Ranchod, a butler, Mr. Mooss, Barrister-at-Law, appeared for the complainant. From the evidence recorded it appears that on the 27th of last month, the complainant asked the accused for some oilman's stores, whereupon the accused struck him a blow and kicked him on the knee. The accused in his defence stated that he was busy at the time and that he merely pushed the accused. The Magistrate convicted and sentenced the accused to pay a fine of Rs. 15.

SUICIDE OF A HINDU WOMAN.—Yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner for Bombay, held an inquest at Mahim, touching the death of Savitribai, aged 35 years, and wife of one Bala Govind. Evidence showed that the deceased was in bad health for sometime past and for a change she was sent up-country. After her return to Bombay, she complained still more of her maladies and household remedies were resorted to. She very often said that she had got tired of life, on Wednesday she was missing from home. Her dead body was subsequently found by a fisherman named Baloo Narayen, in the quarry hole near the Mahim Station of the B. B. and C. I. Railway, where he had gone for fishing. A unanimous verdict of suicide was returned.

A SAD MISHAP TO A EUROPEAN.—On Wednesday night, Mr. George Arthur Goodings, aged about 41 and residing at Church Gate Street, Fort, and Mr. J. Hilbert of Byculla, got into a hackney victoria at the junction of Princess Street, with Queen's Road, to go towards the Fort. Mr. Goodings sat by the side of the driver, on the coach-box, and taking the reins into his own hands, began driving the carriage. Accidentally Mr. Goodings drove the gharry into the gutter opposite to the Mogul Cemetery, with the result that the victoria turned over and he was thrown from the coach-box on to the road and sustained severe injuries to his head. Mr. Hilbert escaped unhurt. He placed Mr. Goodings into another victoria and conveyed him to the St. George's Hospital, where he is now in a precarious condition. It is not yet known what injuries the victoria driver received or to what extent the vehicle was damaged.

A FANTASY.

Deep shades within the Valley lay;
A laugh broke on the air;
It came—I know not whence it came—
Like music rich and rare.

It drove the shadows from the Vale;
It echo'd in my brain.
I sought, but found It not—and yet
I heard It once again.

It turn'd the world to sunshine, made
My heart with hopes beat high,
Responsive to the music of
That laugh from out the sky.

I vow'd myself to pilgrimage
To find from whence It came
That laugh, that chas'd the sadness from
The Vale without a name.

O'er briny seas, in desert lone,
I sought It far and near,
But It was not—strange voices drown'd
The laugh I wish'd to hear.

Back to the nameless Valley then,
Which held the charm for me,
I went with longings all unquench'd
In sad uncertainty,

But when I reach'd the shelter'd vale
Clear—clearer than of yore
I heard the magic laugh—my heart
Was lighten'd as before.

It drew me from the sadden'd past;
Hope shone more roseate—hued;
The present, future—mingled with
The laugh I had pursued.

Till with It—in It—wrapp'd around,
The blindness left my eyes:
Seeing—knowing—It was my own
That laugh from out the skies.

MECO.

STANDARD TIME.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The advocates of the much talked of Standard and Bombay times are again in the field. The "Times" declared that Sir P.M., Mehta was the pioneer of Bombay time, and a critic in your paper replied that he was not so! Futile feuds—How does the adoption of either times affect the public in general, is beyond my powers to imagine. It's a matter in which Government cannot compel the ryot to decide either way; at the same time, it is a question which cannot come to a happy end, if both parties were for ever to stand with drawn swords to hold their own.

If, therefore, at present, it be not possible for both parties to join hands, and say either 'Standard' or 'Bombay,' the simplest course is to let things go on as they are; in course of time, Standard time will surely be adopted throughout India.—Yours, &c.

R. R. W.

The Hon'ble Sir P. M. Mehta has given notice that at the next meeting of the Corporation he will move:—

That in view of the serious public inconvenience and hardship felt by the introduction of Standard Time in the City, the Corporation are of opinion that Bombay Time should be reverted to.

That the Commissioner be requested to put all Municipal Clocks to Bombay Time with effect from the 1st May 1906.

That the President be requested to communicate a copy of this resolution to Government with references to the correspondence with them on the subject.

That this Resolution be communicated to the Chairman of the Public Meeting.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

At a Meeting of the Board held yesterday the Chairman presented the following abstract of the Revenue receipts for the year which closed on 13st March 1906:—

General Account	Budget Estimates for year 1905-06.	Actua's in 1905-06.	Actuals in 1904-05.
Bunder Properties including land	23,71,450	24,85,516	23,84,543
Prince's & Victoria Docks	33,86,000	35,57,239	33,35,742
Merewether Dry Dock	1,71,000	1,83,789	1,73,799
Interest & Miscellaneous	2,84,000	2,93,196	2,31,571
Total Genl Account	61,92,450	65,20,240	61,15,655
Port Depatment	2,36,150	2,61,203	2,52,186
Pilotage Receipts	2,19,420	2,36,845	2,25,215
Total	66,47,020	7,021,293	65,97,056

He remarked that the total receipts aggregated nearly Rs. 70 1/4 lakhs and were Rs. 3 3/4 lakhs better than the estimates framed in February, 1905. As compared with the actuals 1904-05 there was an improvement of Rs 428,237 or say Rs. 4 1/4 lakhs and that this was all the more satisfactory as in the past year there was a large falling off in the export trade in wheat and seeds.

The probable actual surplus of the year after meeting all charges is estimated at a little under Rs. 9 lakhs.

The figures are not absolutely final as it will be some time before accurate figures of expenditure are available but it is unlikely that there will be any material change.

In the last 5 years the receipts have grown from Rs. 52 to Rs. 70 lakhs each successive year showing an increase over the preceding year. These results are in every respect highly satisfactory and encouraging more especially in view of the heavy liabilities the Board is now incurring in improvements to the Port.

He added that the chief features of the trade of the year were the falling off in the exports of wheat and seeds (except cotton seed) already referred to and increase in the import of grain, piece-goods, Railway stores and kerosine and in the exports of cotton, manganese ore, cotton seed and twist and yarn.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	10	5	12
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	23	24	49
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Kamawadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	31	24	47
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Ghowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	9	8	30
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	35	28	77
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	13	13	36
G Mahim and Worli	16

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FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 1906.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH.

THE total number of deaths in Bombay City, during the week ending Tuesday last, was no less than 1,860. This is above the average of the corresponding period of the past five years by ten and above the corresponding week of last year by 354. The situation is alarming, more especially as plague is not the only cause. True, plague carried off 821 of our fellow-citizens in the week, as against 681 last year, but the mean of the corresponding weeks of the preceding five years was 1,036. Although worse than this time last year plague is thus well below the quinquennial average. Measles, cholera and diarrhœa are unfortunately prevalent and the treacherous cold winds have proved unusually fatal. Seventy-three fatal cases of measles are reported during the week as against an average of 22; thirteen fatal cases of cholera as compared with 1; ninety fatal cases of diarrhœa instead of the 38 we have grown to expect and 298 deaths from affections of the respiratory organs against 176. The weather has proved trying to the aged and infirm and 125 died of old age and debility instead of 109. On the other hand deaths from ordinary fevers have have been fewer and there were only 16 deaths from small-pox compared with the weekly average of 49 and 118, the corresponding week of last year when the epidemic prevailed. Negro-Africans loom most prominently in the percentages, the Jains, low caste Hindus, Lingaets and Native Christians, Europeans coming last and showing an entire freedom from plague. Still the week's death-rate is shown at 124·63 per annum per thousand, exclusive of still-born (46). It is noteworthy however that this percentage is based on a population of 776,006, the newly-taken census for some unexplained reason not having been officially adopted and the rate is therefore misleading. But with a death-roll of 1,860 and births numbering only 434, the population will soon fall down below the total of the last Municipal enumeration, unless emigration continues and in the interests of public health it is to be hoped the influx of famine-stricken persons will be supervised, for not only do they bring disease with them, but the fact remains that we have not house-room for them. The Health Department is doubtless having a trying time, which makes it all the more remarkable that no appreciable steps seem to have been taken to prevent the existence of nuisances and of offensive odours about the streets. Day after day lay processions of tumbrils and carts are to be met in the public streets during hours when people are on the way to business and the receptacles for cutchra are to be seen in busy localities not only overladen with filth but with quantities of surplus matter strewn considerable distances on either side of them, while to make matters worse drains are open to emit offensive gases during the busiest hours of the day. This may be unavoidable under the existing system. If so, the system requires immediate amendment.

THE FAMINE. THE latest famine returns show over two and a quarter lakhs of people is receipt of famine relief in India. Of these the United Provinces claim 79,000, Punjab 1,893, Rajputana, 75,396, an increase of 8,402 on the week, Central India 12,500, Baroda 2,910 and Bombay 57,253. In our own province, scarcity in still confined to the Deccan and Southern Maratha Country, though in one or two other parts the pinch is beginning to be felt. In Ahmednagar, the condition of cultivators and agricultural labourers in growing worse and distress is slowly increasing, but people on relief are generally in good condition and relief measures are officialy reported to be adequate. In Poona district water is scare except in riverain localities. Large numbers of people have emigrated though some have returned, and sugarcane-pressing, Local Board and Railway works provide employment for labourers. Small agriculturists are coming to the end of their resources and distress is gradually increasing, but takavi is being freely granted. In Sholapur, water in irrigation tanks and wells is diminishing, but the condition of small agriculturists and labourers is still generally fair. Emigrants are returning and the condition of paupers is deteriorating. Gratuitous relief is being extended, for distress is gradually increasing in the Maleiras and Pandharpur talukas. The condition of weavers and artisans is good to fair. Suspensions of land revenue are being granted and liberal grants of takavi for fodder and water are being made. Satara reports no change. In Bijapur the condition of the cultivators and field labourers is growing worse, though that of labourers on relief works continues fair notwithstanding increasing numbers. Distress though not acute is increasing. Works have been started by takavi recipients and other well-to-do persons which afford considerable employment to labourers. In Belgaum distress is slowly increasing in affected parts and signs of emaciation are noticeable in applicants for dole at Athni. Dharwar is advancing takavi liberally and steps are being taken for granting suspensions of land revenues. Generally speaking there is little aimless wandering and not nearly so much emaciation as might be expected, though unfortunately both may come in the next few weeks.

Conditions in other provinces give more occasion for concern. The United Provinces report the want of fodder everywhere to be serious and signs of emaciation among the people. In the Punjab fodder is scarce in many districts and the leaves of trees, prickly shrubs and sugarcane tops are being substituted. Rajputana's distress is steadily increasing and pasturage and fodder very insufficient. The general position in Gwalior and Bundelkhand is unaltered. Central India has a variety of experience. The week's report shows that in parts of Indore, Bhopal, Malwa and Bhopawar, the standing crops are fair; average in Bundelkhand; indifferent in Baghelkhand; irrigated spring crop in parts of Gwalior are normal. The probable outturn is fair in parts of Gwalior and Bhopal; average in parts of Indore; below average in Baghelkhand, Bundelkhand and Malwa. Spring crops have suffered slightly from frost and locusts in some parts of Gwalior and have been injured by cold in parts of Indore, Bhopal, and Bhopawar. Agricultural stock is bad in parts of Gwalior and in north of Bundelkhand; fair in Bhopal and Malwa; good in Baghelkhand. Pasturage is bad in parts of Gwalior; and scarce in North of Bundelkhand. Prices are rising in parts of Gwalior, Indore, Malwa, and Bhopawar; continue high in Baghelkhand; and are steady in Bundelkhand. Opium has suffered slightly from cold in parts of Indore. The Central Provinces report wheat to have risen in eleven districts and juar in ten. Gram is becoming dearer, and all districts of the Nerbudda division show a rise in the price of wheat and juar. Elsewhere prices are fairly steady with a tendency to rise except in Damoh and Buldana, where they are easier. Hyderabad is generally in a bad way. The rain has been too late to do much good and is generally reported to have been injurious to the maturing spring crops which are in bad condition in parts of thirty-four talukas. Fortunately, however, the area of the late rice sowings is likely to be increased owing to the recent rain.

FORESTS IN THE U. P. As is only fitting in so large a Department, the report on the administration of Forests in the United Provinces, for the past year, is a bulky volume dealing with a host of small matters, which, while important in themselves, are of little interest to any except those concerned in the work. A large area amounting to nearly five thousand acres was added to the deodar forest list, in the School Circle, from the Tehir State, but with this exception the area of the forests under the control of the Forest Department has remained unchanged. Corrections of figures, however, show a decrease of two hundred and fifty-four square miles, there having been a miscalculation of more than one hundred and sixty four acres in the area of the Almora unmeasured district forests. Working plans for ninety-six square miles were completed, chiefly in the Lansdowne and Tehir-Garhwal Forests. One of the important features of the work of the year was the new building work which was undertaken. In the Central Circle some new rest houses were constructed and considerable improvements were effected to the head-quarters house at Lansdowne, while in the Oudh Circle new offices had to be constructed at Naini Tal owing to the transfer of head-quarters. There is much left to be done, however, in the Central Circle as regards buildings, especially in the Kumaun and Ganges divisions, and a scheme extending over five years has been drawn up. Roads have occupied the same amount of attention as last year. It is satisfactory to notice that the stringent measures taken to prevent fires have generally met with good results, in the Central district success being attained in 99·9 per cent, of the protected areas. Few experiments of importance were undertaken and amongst them the attempts at rubber cultivation in the School Circle had to be abandoned as useless. The turpentine and resin industry of the Central Circle, however, is financially an unqualified success, especially in the case of inaccessible Chir forests where it hardly pays to export timber. On the other hand, the year's working in the School Circle resulted in a loss, but the demand still exceeds the supply and the industry is expected to revive during the current year.

In all circles there has been a decrease in the amount of timber exported which is attributed to a variety of causes. Apparently the exports of last year were unduly high and there is now a return to the normal. The difference, however, is not considerable, and there is no reason to believe that it is an indication of a check in the continued progress of the forests. The Conservator of the Central Circle thinks that some of the deficiency is due to the mortality among bullocks during the excessive cold of last spring. The exporters were left with insufficient carriage and could not cope with all the the timber available. He also points out that under the "improvement fellings" system the forests which contained the largest proportion of defective material were naturally first dealt with, and the forests, now being cleared, produce less timber for export. The wet slides in Jaunsar are proving a great success and are a source of considerable economy. In exploiting the forests departmental agency is employed only to a limited extent, but the sleeper trade of the School Circle is kept in the hands of the department to guard against a possible combination of contractors and consequent rise in price, which might drive the railway companies to use iron sleepers. The financial results are not as good as those of last year. The total receipts were about twenty-three and a half lakhs, but the expenditure, fourteen lakhs, was much greater and the surplus fell far over twelve lakhs to nine and a half lakhs. Owing to financial arrangements in the previous year, one lakh became due for payment and thus the real decrease amounted only to Rs. 78,000. The Conservator concludes his comments by suggesting that there should be discretionary power of retiring forest officers at the age of fifty instead of fifty-five, as he is of opinion that an officer after the age of fifty is seldom equal to the hard outdoor work required of a forest officer in a trying climate, especially in the hot weather.

DE SENECTUTE. The Heralds must often blush with shame when they remember how up-to-date they often are in comparison with their more august brothers of the Law Courts. The Law may be "a hass," but it is certainly not a young ass. It was once remarked of a youthful politician's blunder that he was young enough to know better; not so is it with the guardians of the Temple of Justice. In conservatism they can give points to a Gulf Arab and so old customs prevail, regardless of inconvenience, simply because "it has always been done that way." Recently a Judge mildly remonstrated with a witness for speaking too rapidly on the ground that it was impossible at the witness' rate of talking to take a note of the evidence. And all it served to prove was that there is a considerable amount of cumbersome machinery still in use which had far better be discarded. From time immemorial it has been customary in English courts to take down notes of evidence with a quill-pen in longhand. Therefore the learned Judges see no reason for departing from the custom and the quill-pen still squeaks and scratches merrily accross the foolscap while the "next case" wearily kicks its heels in the corridor waiting an interminable wait for its turn. It is obvious that the Judges need some notes of the case under consideration, but there is an official shorthand-writer in the court whose transcription is guaranteed to be accurate and it would be a great improvement if their Lordships would adopt the same process of taking notes, which are for their benefit alone, for anyone who has seen the average Learned Judge's notes knows that there must be considerable alterations in caligraphy before they can be handed on to another Learned Judge for consideration. If it be absolutely essential that notes of evidence shall be taken in the Judge's own handwriting—and there seems no such necessity—there is a prima facie ground for regarding it as essential that Judges should learn shorthand. The delay caused by long-hand transcription is quite unnecessary and the time wasted in the process must amount to several months out of the year.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. Persia, with the homeward Mails of the 31st ultimo, arrived at Aden at 10 p. m., on April 4.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. Caledonia, with the outward Mails of the 30th ultimo, left Suez, at 11-30 p. m., on April 4.

THE Royal Indian Marine steamer Dufferin will leave Bombay for England about the middle of this month, with the surplus troops.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell, at the Bombay Criminal Sessions, yesterday, sentenced one Addulla Meya to death for the murder of Gajju, woman, in a house in Duncan Road on the 21st ult.

APPLICATIONS for land for the cultivation of rubber continue, says the "Times of Ceylon", to pour in from Uva, which is rapidly becoming the centre for rubber cultivation in the island, judging from the way planters are at present going in for it.

THE Madras Government are now considering some improvements in the Rules, relating to Government loans to agriculturists, "with the object of attaining greater elasticity in the working of the system under which advances are made." Possibly special disbursing officers will be appointed and special well-boring establishments.

DURING the week ending April 3, 182 1/2 chests of opium were moved from warehouse. Of these 179 chests were shipped per s. s. Delhi to China, 3 were purchased by the Farmer at Nasik and half a chest was purchased jointly by the Farmers at Nasik and Lathi. Eighty-one and a half chests were imported from Indore.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 17th February amounted to Rs. 1,720, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 378. Total earnings from 1st Jan. to 10th February, were Rs. 10,876, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,077.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantij Railway for the week ending 17th February amounted to Rs. 5,523 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 1,783. Total earnings from 1st January to 17th February, were Rs. 33,311 being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 4,181.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway for the week ending 17th February amounted to Rs. 27,624 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 9,076. Total earnings from 1st January to 17th February, were Rs. 2,76,301, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 1,49,805.

THE Railway Board recently issued revised rules to regulate the packing and carriage by railway in India of compressed ammonia gas as well as of certain other compressed gases. Attention was drawn to the necessity for exercising greater care in accepting cylinders of compressed carbonic acid gas for carriage by rail. The Board are now advised that consignors should be required, when tendering consignments, to hand in to the railway a certificate as to the packing and testing of the cylinders containing the compressed gases mentioned.

THE O and R. management, says the "Pioneer", justly prides itself on its readiness to consult the wishes and interests of the native traveller, and it was possibly with the idea of appealing to the numerous pilgrims who yearly wend their way to Allahabad at the time of the Magh Mela that Allenganj Station has just been rechristened with Allahabad's ancient name of Prayag. These changes in names, however, are not to be encouraged for they are apt to become somewhat bewildering to the ordinary passenger, who also has a right to be considered.

HERE is a quaint story from the Pamirs, quoted by Dr. Grierson, C. I. E., in his paper on the Linguistic Survey, which, he read before the Society of Arts. The mosquitoes have a lawsuit before Solomon the Prophet against the Wind. They complain that the wind will never let them stay where they want to stay. Solomon commanded his Vizier Asif to summon the wind, but when the wind arrived the mosquitoes had to leave the Court. As the plaintiffs and the defendant can never be brought together before the judgment seat, the case has never been decided and is still pending.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay, during the week ending April 3, was 1,903, giving a death-rate of 124·63 per annum per thousand as against 109·91 the corresponding period of last year, and 133·96 the average of the past five years. Of the total number 105 died from fevers; 821, plague; 16, small-pox; 73, measles; 13, cholera; 8, leprosy; 93, phthisis; 48, diseases of the nervous system; 298, affections of the respiratory organs; 93, diarrhœa; 32, dysentery; 45, still-born; 125, old age and debility; 41, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows—Jain, 56; Brahmin, 80; Lingaet, 9; Bhattia, 7; Hindu of other caste, 983; Hindu low caste, 286; Musalman, 315; Parsee, 45; Jew, 3; Native Christian, 57; Christian, 2; European, 4; Negro-African, 4. The total number of births was 434, as against 377 the corresponding period of last year, and 390 the average over the last five years.

THE BEE-MASTER OF WARRILOW.

LONG, lithe, and sinewy, with three score of years of sunburn on his keen, guarled face, and the sure stride of a mountain goat, the Bee-master of Warrilow struck you at once as a notable figure in any company.

Warrilow is a little precipitous village tucked away under the green brink of the Sussex Downs, and the bee-farm lay on the southern slope of the hill, with a sheltering barrier of pine above, in which, all day long, the winter wind kept up an impotent complaining. But below, among the hives, hardly a breath moved in the frosty sun-riddled air. Now and again a solitary worker-bee darted up from a hive door, took a brisk turn or two in the dazzling light, then hurried home again to the warm cluster. But the flash and quiver of wings, and the droway song of summer days, were gone in the iron-bound January weather; and the bee-master was lounging idly to and fro in the great main-way of the waxen city, shot-gun under arm, and with apparently nothing more to do than to meditate over past achievements, or to plan out operations for the season to come.

As I approached, writes Tickner Edwardes in the "Pall Mall Gazette" the sharp report of the gun rang out, and a little cloud of birds went chippering fearsomely away over the hedgerow. The old man watched them as they flew off dark against the snowy hillside. He threw out the cartridge-cases disgustedly.

"Blue-tits!" said he. "They are the great pest of the bee-keeper in winter-time. When the snow covers the ground, and the frost has driven all insect-life deep into the crevices of the trees, all the blue-caps for miles round trek to the bee-gardens. Of course, if the bees would only keep indoors they would be safe enough. But the same cause that drives the birds in lures the bees out. The snow reflects the sunlight up through the hive-entrances, and they think the bright days of spring have come, and out they flock to their death. And winter is just the time when every single bee is valuable. In summer a few hundreds more or less make little difference, when in every hive young bees are maturing at the rate of two or three thousand a day to take the place of those that perish. But now every bee captured by the tits is an appreciable loss to the colony. They are all nurse-bees in the winter-hives, and on them depends the safe hatching-out of the first broods in the spring season. So the bee-keeper would do well to include a shot-gun among his paraphernalia, unless he is willing to feed all the starving tits of the country-side at the risk of his year's harvest."

But the blue-cap, he went on, is not always content to wait for his breakfast until the bees voluntarily bring it to him. He has a trick of enticing them out of the hive which is often successful even in the coldest weather. Come into the extracting-house yonder, and I may be able to show you what I mean.

He led the way to a row of outbuildings which flanked the northern boundary of the garden and formed additional shelter from the blustering gale. A window of the extracting-house overlooked the whole extent of hives. Opening this from within with as little noise as possible, the bee-master put a strong field-glass into my hand.

Now that we are out of sight, he said, the tits will soon be back again. There they come—whole families of them together! Now watch that green hive over there under the apple-tree.

Now keep an eye on the hive-entrance, he said grimly.

The glass was a good one. Now I could plainly make out a movement in this direction. The noise and vibration made by the birds outside had roused the slumbering colony to a sense of danger. About a dozen bees ran out to see what it all meant, and were immediately pounced upon. And then the gun spoke over my head. It was a shot into the air, but it served its harmless purpose. From every bush and tree there came over to us a dull whirr of wings like far-off thunder, as the blue marauders sped away for the open country, filling the air with their frightened jingling note.

Perhaps of all cosy retreats from the winter blast it has ever been my good fortune to discover, the extracting-room on Warrilow bee-farm was the brightest and most comfortable. In summer-time the whole life of the apiary centred here; and the stress and bustle, inevitable during the season of the great honey-flow, obscured its manifold possibilities. But in winter the extracting-machines were for the most part, silent; and the natural serenity and cosiness of the place reasserted themselves triumphantly. From the open furnace-door a ruddy warmth and glow enriched every nook and corner of the long building. The walls were lined with shelves where the polished tin vessels, in which the surplus honey was stored, gave back the fire-shine in a hundred flickering points of amber light. The work of hive-making in the neighbouring sheds was going briskly forward, but the noise of hammering, the shrill hum of sawing and planing machinery, and the intermittent cough of the oil-engine reached us only as a subdued, tranquil murmur—the very voice of rest.

The bee-master closed the window behind its thick bee-proof curtains, and, putting his gun away in a corner drew a comfortable high-backed settle near to the cheery blaze. Then he disappeared for a moment, and returned with a dusty cobweb-shrouded bottle, which he carried in a wicker cradle as a butler would bear the priceless old wine. The cork came out with a ringing jubilant report, and the pale, straw-coloured liquid formed into the glasses like champagne. It stilled at once, leaving the whole inner surface of the glass veneered with golden bells. The old beeman held it up critically against the light.

The last of 19—, he said, regretfully. The finest mead year in this part of the country for many a decade back. Most people have never tasted the old Anglo-Saxon drink that King Alfred, loved, and probably Harold's men made merry with on the eve of Hastings. So they can't be expected to know that metheglin varies with each season as much as wine from the grape.

Of the goodness of the liquor there admitted no question. It had the bouquet of a ripe Ribstone Pippin, and the potency of East Indian sherry thrice round the Horn. But its flavour entirely eluded all attempt at comparison. There was a suggestive note of fine old perry about it, and a dim reminder of certain almost colourless Rhenish wines, never imported, and only to be encountered in moments of rare and happy chance. Yet neither of these parallels came within a sunbeam's length of the truth about this immaculate honey-vintage of Warrilow. Pondering over the liquor then, the thought came to me, that nothing less than a supreme occasion could have warranted its production to-day. And this conjecture was immediately verified. The bee-master raised his glass above his head.

To the Bees of Warrilow! he said, lapsing into the broad Sussex dialect, as he always did when much moved by his theme. Forty-one years ago to-day the first stock I ever owned was fixed up out there under the old codlin-tree, and now there are two hundred and twenty of them. 'Twas before you were born, likely as not, and bee science has seen many changes since then. In those days there were nothing but the old straw-skeps, and most bee-keepers knew as little about the inner life of their bees as we do of the bottom of the South Pacific. Now things are very different; but the improvement is mostly in the bee-keepers themselves. The bees are exactly as they always have been, and work on the same principles as they did in the time of Solomon. They go their appointed way inexorably, and all the bee-master can do is to run on ahead and smooth the path a little for them. Indeed, after forty odd years of bee-keeping, I doubt if the bees even realise that they are "kept" at all. The bee-master's work has little more to do with their progress than the organ-blower's with the tune."

"Can you," I asked him, as we parted, "after all these years of experience, lay down for beginners in bee-mastership one royal maxim of success, above any other?"

THE COURRIERES DISASTER.

GRAVE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE OWNERS.

Official Prosecution Commenced.

AN INFURIATED NEIGHBOURHOOD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 4.

The miner who has just been rescued at Courrieres lived on coffee and brandy which he found in the flasks of the dead. This last rescue has strengthened the popular belief that hundreds might have been saved.

The populace is now menacing the Company who are accused of thinking exclusively of extinguishing the fire and saving property by operations actually aggravating the position of possible survivors. The Government has ordered an enquiry into the accusation.

LONDON, APRIL 5.

The Public Prosecutor has instituted proceedings against the engineers in charge of the salvage work at the Courrieres.

A live horse has been found on a gallery of the mines at Courrieres yesterday evening.

This has intensified the excitement prevailing there and crowds of infuriated women collected at the pit head.

The engineers were forced to take refuge in the mines.

THE RAGGING CASE.

An Unpleasant Incident.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

The enquiry into the ragging case was opened to-day.

Lieut. Clark-Kennedy stated that Lieuts. D. Hamilton, C. Hamilton, Harford and Jolliffe court-martialled him for being in a filthy condition and telling the Colonel a lie.

They afterwards stripped him, drenched him with motor oil and smeared his hair with jam.

He admitted association with a woman.

Colonel Cuthbert stated that the Surgeon notified Lieutenant Clark Kennedy's condition and understood Kennedy had some skin disease before.

He admitted disgustedly declaring that it was a matter for the subalterns to settle, but only meant by moral pressure.

LONDON, APRIL 5.

At the enquiry into the ragging case, Lieutenant Clark-Kennedy deposed that his skin disease was itch.

PRINCE BULOW'S SPEECH ON MOROCCO.

Faints in the Reichstag.

Prince Bulow delivered a long speech in the Reichstag to-day, on the Algeciras Conference, and afterwards fainted and was carried unconscious from the House which was immediately adjourned.

HONOURS FOR SIR A. NICOLSON.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

Sir Arthur Nicolson has received the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George in recognition of his services at the Algeciras Conference.

H. R. H. PRINCESS ENA.

His Majesty the King has ordained that the Princess Ena shall henceforth be styled Her Royal Highness.

FLOGGING IN INDIA.

Early Report Invited.

Mr. Morley, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said that he was inviting the Government of India to an early consideration of the question of flogging natives as a punishment under the Criminal Law.

MOUNT VESUVIUS IN ERUPTION.

LONDON, APRIL 5.

Mount Vesuvius is in violent eruption.

A fresh crater has been formed.

THE JAPANESE FAMINE FUND.

Help from Blue Jackets.

An effort will be made in the British Navy at home and in foreign waters to aid the Japanese Famine Fund.

The movement originated at a meeting of Blue-Jackets at Portsmouth.

ILLNESS OF MR. BENNETT-BURLEIGH.

Mr. Bennett-Burleigh, the war-correspondent, is suffering from double pneumonia and is in a critical condition.

OBITUARY.

The Rt. Rev. Lord Alwyne Compton.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TROUBLE GROWING IN NATAL.

British Force Attacked.

A SERIOUS REVERSE.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

A battery of Artillery and a company of Infantry are proceeding to Greytown.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

Latest news regarding the rising in Natal states that Bombaasta's rebels have attackad, and cut off a portion of our Field Force wounding fire.

LATER.

Later advices from Natal state that the Field Force was compelled to retire on Greytown, after a running fight of six miles.

Three policemen were killed.

The Field Force will be strongly reinforced in twenty-four hours, and every preparation is being made to defend Greytown though an attack is considered unlikely.

THE KING AND QUEEN ON TOUR.

Storm-Bound at Marseilles.

LONDON, APRIL 5.

The King and Queen are storm-bound at Marseilles and the departure of the Royal Yacht is postponed till to-morrow.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught have arrived at Marseilles.

THE MANUFACTURE OF RICE SPIRIT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 5.

A very interesting paper was read last evening, at the monthly meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, by Dr. P. C. Ray, on the Hindu method of manufacturing spirit from rice and its scientific explanation. The details, as practised in Orissa, were described and it was stated that the average yield of spirit in a good distillery is four gallons proof from 82 pounds of rice.

SUCCESSFUL SEARCH FOR MANUSCRIPTS.

INTERESTING DISCOVERIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 5.

Dr. Denison Ross's search for Arabic and Persian manuscripts, induced by an offer of a Government Grant, has resulted in a rich harvest, which includes commentaries on the Koran; the Principles of Mahomedan Jurisprudence, treatises on Dialectics, Geography, Grammar and many other subjects more or less profound or quaint.

THE BALLYGUNGE WATER WORKS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 5.

At the first meeting of the new Calcutta Corporation, yesterday, it was announced that the Lieutenant-Governor will open the Ballygunge pumping station to-morrow.

TELEGRAPHIC DELAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 5.

Notice is issued that serious delay will be caused to deferred telegraphic traffic to and from places in Burma owing to interruption of all Burma wires via Assam.

BANK OF BENGAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 5.

At their weekly meeting to-day the directors of the Bank of Bengal reduced the rate for demand loans to 6 per cent.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 5.

Br. Genl., Sir J. Willcocks, Commanding the Nowshera Brigade, is granted 4 1/2 months' leave out of India.

Col. Massy, R. F. A., officiates, as Asst. A. G. Lucknow Division when Col. Reid proceeds on leave.

Maj. Watson is appointed Commandant, and Maj. Grant, 2nd-in-Comd. of the 39th Horse.

Col. Mullaly, is appointed to the charge of the Intelligence and Mobilisation Sections of the Division, of the Chief of the Staff.

Col. S. Cowans, M. V. O. is appointed Director of Military Education in India vice Col. Capper appointed D. A. G., Eastern Command.

Col. F. G. Bond, A. Q. M. G., is appointed D. Q. M. G. Army Head Quarters vice Col. Mullaly.

Lieut. Harley, the Buffs, is posted to the Western Command, and Lieut. Ransford of the Devonshire Regt, to the Eastern Command, for appointment to the Indian Army.

WESTERN COMMAND.

3rd Skinner's Horse.—Major C L Hamilton, 2nd Squadron Commander to be Officiating Commandant and Major F L Moore, 3rd Squadron Commander, to be Officiating 2nd-in- Command, during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel A N Carr and Major W E A Blakeney, or until further orders.

43rd Eripura Regiment.—2nd-Lieutenant J L Eden, Unattached List, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 8th March.

2nd-Lieutenant W S E Money, Unattached List, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 14th March.

44th Merwara Infantry.—2nd-Lieutenant C H S. Deane, Unattached List, to be a Double Company Officer, Dated 20th March,

The 101st Grenadiers.—2nd-Lieutenant A M Slingsby, Unattached List, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 16th March,

102nd (King Edward's Own) Grenadiers.—2nd Lieutenant Blackwell, Unattached List to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 17th March.

On arrival in India, the undermentioned Officers of Royal Engineers are posted as stated against their names:—Lieutenant S. Boyd, to the 6th (Poona) Division, for employment under Assistant Commanding Royal Engineer, Kirkee Arsenal. Lieutenant R. J. Loring, to the 5th (Mhow Division, for employment under Assistant Commanding Royal Engineer, Jabalpur Gun Carriage Factory. Lieutenant H. O. Pollock, to the 4th (Quetta) Division.

THE VICEROY AT AJMERE.

INSPECTS FAMINE RELIEF WORKS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AJMERE, APRIL 5.

At 7-30 this morning His Excellency, accompanied by Sir Louis Dane, the Hon'ble Mr. Colvin, Colonel Melville, Colonel Dunlop-Smith, Major Adam, Colonel Crooke-Lawless, Major Feilding, Colonel Ffrench Mullen I. M. S., Mr. Manners-Smith, Mr. Bramley, went by a special train, which was in charge of Colonel Oliver, to Beawar which was reached in an hour. From there the party were driven to the Makrera tank relief works, a distance of about 3 miles, where nearly 14,000 labourers are employed. His Excellency was escorted from the station to the tank by a troop of the Jodhpur Imperial Service Lancers and nearly two hours were spent in inspecting the camp and works and psople. Breakfast, was served in the train and the party returned to Ajmere at about 11-30.

At 5 this evening His Excellency and staff drove to the Arhai-dink-Jhompira or 'the hut of two and a half days', so called because the mosque was supposed to have been built in that period by supernatural means.

After the visit to the mosque, the Viceroy attended the "At Home" given by Mr. Colvin at the Anasagar bund which consists of a row of marble pavilions erected on the embankment on the south of the Anasagar Lake. Among those present at the garden party were: Colonel Melville. Captain Minchin, Major Pinhey, Lieutenant-Colonel Herbert, Major Bannerman, Major Berkeley, Major Kaye, Colonel Colvin, Pundit Sham Nath Rai Bahadur, Mr. Khandekar, native officers of the Ajmer Commission, Rai Bahadur Seth Umed Mal and Seth Nemi Chard.

After an early dinner His Excellency and staff leave by special train for Delhi.

THE GOVERNMENT PLEADER IN BOMBAY.

In the course of certain Appeal Court proceedings, yesterday afternoon, before the Hon. Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, Rao Bahadur Vasudeo Jagannath Kirtikar, Government Pleader in the High Court of Bombay, reported to their Lordships that he had sent in his resignation of the office. The Chief Justice remarked that the Judges would be very sorry to lose his services. The Rao Bahadur said he had resigned only his office; but he hoped to be in the Courts as a pleader. The reason of his resignation appears to be indifferent health. He has forwarded his resignation to Mr. M. H. Hayward. Remembrancer of Legal Affairs to Government, under whose immediate directions he is. Mr. Kirtiker was appointed Government Pleader on 26th December 1891; he acted as a Judge of the High Court from 27th February 1902 till the 9th March following, in the room of the Hon. Mr Justice Chandawarkar who was then serving on the Education Commission. He was admitted a pleader on 19th February 1862. He is a Justice of the Peace for the city of Bombay. He retires from 1st May next.

EMPIRE OF INDIA LIFE OFFICE.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORKING.

The annual meeting of the Empire of India Life Assurance Association was held yesterday afternoon at the offices in Elphinston Circle, Mr. Chubildhas Lalloobhoy presiding.

The report and accounts having been taken as read, the Chairman moved their adoption and in doing so said: "I move this resolution with much pleasure. Our report discloses a very satisfactory and pleasing state of affairs and also shows a continuance of that steady advance and progress which has characterised the business of the Company from its commencement. I do not think it necessary to go through the report seriatim and I will only just briefly draw your attention to one or two of the most important points in it. In the first place our new business again shows a large increase, it amounted to about 23 1-2 lakhs and comprises further assurances from Policyholders who formerly assured with us and who have now shown their confidence and satisfaction by coming back a second and even a third time with fresh proposals for larger sums. I may here appropriately add that the greatest care continues to be exercised in the selection of lives and a considerable amount of business has been judiciously declined. The economy in management on which we so justly pride ourselves has been well maintained and our expense ratio again shows a material decline. It has been reduced by nearly 1 per cent and is not only far below the average, but we believe is the lowest recorded by any Company of the same age. When it is remembered that our rates of premium are considerably lower than those of any other Company doing business in India, it will be readily seen that our business is managed with far greater economy than the expense ratio even implies. Another very satisfactory feature is as regards the continued lightness of our claims. You will notice that our claims are less in amount and considerably less in number than those even for the preceding year. Another point for your attention is the large growth in our Assurance Fund. It has increased by over 2 1-4 lakhs and now amounts to Rs. 12 lakhs. In addition to all these very satisfactory features, we confidently recommend the payment of a higher dividend at the handsome rate, (including the bonus) of 12 per cent. In all ways there are signs of solid expansion and growth. The Company is worked on sound principles and doing well. The progress from the first has been steady and continuous and I am confident that our progress in the future will be equally good."

Mr. Pilnston seconded the proposition which was carried unanimously.

The following resolutions were also adopted without opposition:—

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Rustom Cama. "That a Dividend of 11 1-4 per cent per annum, free of Income Tax, payable on 10th instant, be and is hereby declared for the last year on the paid-up Capital."

Proposed by Mr Burjorjee Framjee and seconded by Mr. Valchund Hirachund. "That Mr. Gostling, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association, be and is hereby re-elected a Director."

Proposed by Mr. J. A. Bottlewalla and seconded by Mr. E. H. D'Souza. "That the firm of Messrs. Cornforth and Mistri be and are hereby re-elected Auditors for the current year at a remuneration of Rs. 200."

Proposed by Mr. Pilnston and seconded by Mr. B. R. Daver. "That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Medical Advisers for their care in the examination of lives during the past year."

Proposed by Dr. Appoo and seconded by Mr. Vulley Hossein. "That the special thanks of this Meeting be given to the Chairman and Directors for their great attention to the business of the Company during the past year."

Proposed by Mr. Rustom Cama and seconded by Burjorjee Framjee. "That the thanks of this Meeting be given to Mr. E. F. Allum, Mr. B. E Bharucha, the Office Staff and the Agents and Representatives of the Company for their zeal, attention and services during the past year."

Proposed by Mr. B. R. Daver and seconded by Mr. J. A. Bottlewalla. "That the special thanks of this Meeting be given to the Chairman for his able conduct in the chair."

THE present conservancy taxes of the Cantonments of Agra, Naini Tal and Lansdowne are abolished, and with effect from 1st April the Local Government has decided to impose in those Cantonments a conservancy tax on the occupier of any house situated within Cantonment limits at the rate of two annas per rupee, per measem on the rental of such house, provided the total monthly amount of the tax shall in no case exceed one rupee. The rules for the collection of the tax are an adoptation of the rules for the assessment and collection of the conservancy taxes in the Almora Municipality.

THE BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

ELECTION OF A NEW PRESIDENT.

An ordinary monthly meeting of the Members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, in the Municipal Council Hall, when there was a large number of members present, principally to watch the election of a new President for the year 1906-7, and probably to take part in the discussion of the question of Standard Time.

On the motion of Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, seconded by Mr. James MacDonald, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta was given the presidential chair.

The President said that the first business before them was the election of a new President for the next year, and he was glad to inform them that there would be no contest in that election. (Cheers.)

DR. A. G. VIEGAS, THE NEW PRESIDENT.

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna moved that the presidential chair for the year 1906-7 be given to Dr. A. G. Viegas. (Cheers). Sir Bhalchandra in support of his proposition said that it was not necessary for him to address the Corporation at any great length, for the adoption of the proposition, because Dr. Viegas' services to the Corporation were well-known to them. Dr. Viegas had been on the Board for the last seventeen years and had been a Member of the Standing Committee for several years and had done excellent work at both the places. His services to the city were so numerous that it would be tiresome to relate all of them there. He was glad to hear that there was no contest in the election as the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas D. Thakersey had retired from the contest in favour of Dr. Viegas, on the advice of the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta, and in regard of Dr. Viegas public services (Cheers).

The Hon. Mr. Vithaldas Thakersey seconded the proposition when he was cheered. He said he was a competitor of Dr. Viegas to the chair. But he took into consideration Dr. Viegas public and Municipal services and also the advice of Sir P. M. Mehta, and thought that as Dr. Viegas was an older Member of the Corporation than himself and he always detested a contest it would be better to see Dr. Viegas sake the presidential chair unanimously. (Cheers.)

Dr. Sukhia remarked that he had nothing to say against Dr. Viegas. He was glad that he was appointed their President. But the speaker was surprised to see the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas withdrawing from the contest at the eleventh hour for reasons best known to himself after he had received promises from other members to support him. (Laughter). Thereby he had put his supporters in an awkward position. (Laughter).

The President asked Dr. Sukhia to confine himself to the proposition before them.

Continuing, Dr. Sukhia said he hoped in future those gentlemen entering into contest for the presidential chair, would review their position before asking other members to commit themselves one way or the other in their choice of their President. He was asked to give in writing whether he was voting for one gentleman or another in the present contest, but fortunately he was still free to vote for any party he liked. Dr. Viegas had done services to the Municipality and he (the speaker) would give his vote to him (Cheers and Laughter).

The proposition was then put to the vote and it was carried with acclamation.

Dr. Viegas, amidst an outburst of cheers took the chair, which the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta vacated for him. After he had taken the presidential chair, the retiring President, the Municipal Commissioner and the Municipal Secretary shook hands with their new President and congratulated him.

Dr. A. G. Viegas, in addressing the Board as their new President, thanked them for having honoured him by electing him to the chair. He said that his thanks were more especially due to them, because this was the first occasion that they had elected an Indian-Christian to be their President. He may be permitted to speak the mind of the people of the community to which he had the honour to belong and he would say that they were extremely thankful to them. He appreciated the honour done to him and recognized the great responsibility of guiding the deliberations of the civic body of the first City of India. The presidential chair had been occupied by men of great learning, exceptional business capacity and wide experience for guiding an assembly like theirs which was composed of men of diverse predilections temperaments. The speaker then spoke of the qualities of the retiring President, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta, who, as he said, had the unique honour of being thrice elected as their President, and who by his disinterested services had earned for himself the name of "Father of the Corporation. (Cheers). As the public and the city and everyone knew, Sir Pherozshah had served the Corporation with self-sacrifice, dignity and tact. Those qualities combined with a powerful mind and a most generous heart that he brought to bear in the discharge of his civic duties, earned for him the title of the "Uncrowned King of the Corporation." (Cheers). In conclusion he thanked the Board again and said he relied upon their kindness, their indulgence and their co-operation in the discharge of his duties.

THANKING THE RETIRING PRESIDENT.

The Hon. Mr. G. O. W. Dunn moved that the "best thanks of the Corporation be conveyed to the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, the retiring President, for the very valuable services rendered by him to this Corporation in cheerfully devoting his time and abilities to the heavy and responsible work of the office of President during the past year, work rendered exceptionally onerous by the special events of the year. That in doing so the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta has discharged that the Corporation greatly appreciate the able and dignified manner in which he has discharged his duties as President bringing to bear upon them a ripe experience and sound judgment combined with an intimate knowledge of Municipal law and procedure, and they recognize the tact, courtesy and impartiality which he has consistently exhibited throughout his year of office. (Cheers.)

Speaking on this proposition, the Hon. Mr. Dunn said that it needed no great efforts of eloquence, arguments or seductive persuasiveness to command the proposition to them. He would like to have an opportunity of expressing, however feebly on behalf of the Corporation, their sense of the great qualities of their retiring President. He (the speaker) had been a Member of the Corporation for less than two years and so he could not speak with the weight of the long experience that many other councillors present could do. In Sir P. M. Mehta they had a man who could rule them with dignity, firmness and courtesy. They all knew their retiring President for his conspicuous ability, wonderful capacity for work and a willingness to give up his valuable time in the cause of public service. In conclusion, the speaker expressed his earnest hope that for many years to come they might continue to receive his invaluable assistance and advice (Cheers)

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna seconded the proposition. In support of his proposition he spoke at some length, and was followed by the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola and Dr. N. N. Katrak, who all eulogized the Municipal and public services of the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta. The time taken up by these speakers in further supporting the proposition, was considered by Mr. James MacDonald, to be a waste of their time, because as he said, Sir Bhalchandra spoke pretty nearly the same as the Hon. Mr. Dunn, and the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim spoke much the same as Sir Bhalchandra. There was no soul there who did not appreciate Sir Pherozeshah's services and they all wished him many many happy years to come. (Cheers)

Mr. Cowasji Jehangir did not approve of the expression used by the last speaker when he said that the other speakers had wasted the time of the Corporation while eulogising the services of their retiring President. The speaker further supported the proposition.

Dr. Sukhia then rose to further support the proposition when the whole House burst into a laughter. He said he was very much pleased to see the laughing faces of almost all the members of the Corporation when he got up to say a few words. (Continued laughter) When he rose to speak, perhaps the members thought that he was not speaking in favour of Sir Pherozeshah. (cries of "Oh! oh!") but he hoped that the Corporation would have patience now. (Laughter). He might say that when Sir Pherozeshah Mehta was to the given their presidential chair on the last occasion, it was he who felt the greatest pleasure to see him there, as he had found from his experience throughout his career in that Hall that no President had in fact given him satisfaction which he wanted. (Prolonged laughter). When he said this, he did not like to reflect any discredit upon the past Presidents, but when he looked back to the historical events during the regime of those past Presidents, he found that almost all of them did not satisfy him in the way they ought to have done. (Continued laughter). Probably his standard might be very high, (Loud and prolonged laughter), and he always expected of them a very high standard (laughter) a high standard in every thing, in courtesy, and in the way in which they were to rule over the members. He had felt aggrieved in the decisions of the past Presidents but he could safely say now that in Sir Pherozeshah he had found quite a model President. (Hear hear.) He wanted to see funds raised to commemorate Sir Pherozeshah's memorable services or a portrait of his placed in the Hall during his life time as an expression of what they felt for him in their heart.

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BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

The following are excerpts from the proceedings of a special meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay, held on the 27th March:—

Considered letter from the Engineer, of the 24th March, forwarding two tenders received for the supply of Stationery and Drawing Materials for the year 1906-07, and recommending the acceptance of Mr. Hussanally Abdulally's tender amounting for the quantities estimated for to Rs. 6,314-12-9, the other tender not being a regular one and being incomplete.

Resolution.—The tender of Mr. Hussanally Abdulally is accepted.

Considered letter from the Engineer, dated the 19th March, forwarding the only tender received from Messrs. Laxuman Shamrao and Vasudeo Shamrao for the supply of Bullocks and Bullock Carts with Drivers for the year 1906-07, and recommending acceptance of the tender which is at the rate of Re. 1-5-0 and Rs. 1-10-0 per day respectively.

Resolution.—The tender of Messrs. Laxuman Shamrao and Vasudeo Shamrao is accepted.

Considered letter from the Engineer, dated the 19th March forwarding two tenders received from (1) Abdul Rasulbux Bhistee and (2) Abdool Fakoor from watering certain foot-paths on the Kennedy Sea Face during the year 1906-07, and recommending acceptance of the tender of Abdool Fakoor, which is the lower.

Resolution.—The tender of Abdool Fakoor is accepted.

Considered papers underlying Circular on the following letter from the Engineer, of 23rd the February.

Re: Island in Mayo Road.

I have the honour to report that the estimates for the two works of "constructing the Road between the Cooperage and Wellington Lines" and of "widening the Mayo Road" were sanctioned in Trustees' Resolution No. 12. of 19th January 1904. The former work was then completed and the amount provided was Rs. 21,015·04 for construction and Rs. 1,050·30 or 5 per cent. on the same for supervision and contingencies or in all Rs. 22,065. The latter work was not commenced and Rs. 5,449 were provided for construction and Rs. 545 or 10 per cent. on this for supervision and contingencies making in all Rs. 5,994. I find that the total charge against the first stands at Rs. 28,237·43 for work or an excess of Rs. 2,252 about. The total charge against the latter is Rs. 4,784 for work or a saving of Rs. 653. The provision for contingencies and supervision on both estimates amounts to Rs. 1,595-38 against which Rs. 1,490-8-6 have been charged, leaving a saving of about Rs. 105. The net result is an excess of Rs. 1,451-14-4 on the combined estimate which may please be passed by the Board. I submit an estimate for Rs. 600 for making an Island as shown in the accompanying plan. If the two estimates above referred to can be separated the cost of this work could be met from savings on the second. If they cannot be separated this work could be carried out against and forming a further excess on the sanctioned estimate but still within the power of the Board to pass. Or it could be passed as a separate work, providing that the Board wishes the work carried out. If this work is not carried out the tree must be removed as likely to cause an accident for which the Board would be held responsible.

Read the minutes thereon.

The Chairman having proposed to deal, in the first instance, with the question of the provision of an Island in Mayo Road, explained that if the proposal was not accepted it would be necessary to remove the tree which exists at the site and which if left unguarded in this way would be a standing danger to the traffic, and he proposed as follows:—"The proposal is approval and the estimate amounting to Rs 602 is sanctioned, debitable to the Street Scheme for the Board's Wellington Lines Estate. The proposal having been put to the vote was lost.

The Chairman having demanded a poll, the result was as follows:—

For
1. The Chairman.
2. Sir Bhalachandra Krishna.
3. Mr. Sheppard.
4. Mr. Cuffe.

Against.
1. Brig.-General Greenfield.
2. Sir Walter Hughes.
3. Mr. Hateb.
4. Sir Sassoon J. David.
5. Dr. Viegas.
6. Mr. Brown.
7. Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey.

Mr. Wacha and the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoolla abstained from voting.

Considered papers underlying Circular on the following letter from the Engineer, dated the 7th February forwarding an application from the Western India Motor Company, Limited, for a 99 years lease of Plot No 101 on the Board's Agripada Estate on which to construct a corrugated iron shed for the purposes of a garage and workshop at a cost of not less than Rs. 5,000. I have the honour to submit an application for this plot on behalf of the Western India Motor Co., Ld. The object for which the plot is required is to keep motors and motor omnibuses in a corrugated iron shed and the applicants wish to retain the option of building thereafter. This plot is next to the plot occupied by the 12 additional chawls. In front of it is the narrow strip at one end of which will be the Agripada Police Accommodation Buildings and behind it lies a plot to be divided up as required for trade or other purposes. It is therefore in my opinion, suitable for the use proposed. If, however, it should be considered unsuitable, I think that any other plot of similar size and price would be acceptable. I do not consider it advisable at present to divide any of the large plots for such an purpose. But I am bringing forward a proposal to utilize a portion of the narrow strip near the Police Buildings for a Trust Store. And I think that a portion of this strip next to our Store would be suitable for this purpose. I understand that it is not proposed to store here more than a very few tins of petrol for current use. It would, however, be necessary to stipulate that if more than a dozen tins should be stored a special building with sand below the tins must be provided for the purpose. If the Board accepts the proposal the deposit will be demanded.

Read the following letter from Messrs. Crawford, Brown & Co., dated the 2nd March:—With reference to your letter of 27th ultimo, we have the honour to state that we do not think there is any objection to the Board arranging with the Western India Motor Car Company, Limited, for the occupation of the above plot as proposed so long as they do not accept the application as an application for a building lease. Section 60 (6) to which the Chairman refers only declares that the property vested in the Board under Schedule D shall remain so vested until the expiration of "building leases" granted by the Board and Section 63 (1) which defines the Board's powers of leasing does not in any way limit them to the granting of Building leases. Had the Company's original application of 6th February been accepted the provision of Section 60 (6) would have come into effect. We do not, however, think that the proposal to grant short lease of 5 years with a right to erect on the land a temporary corrugated iron shed can in any way be defined as a Building Lease. It will perhaps be as well to inform the Company that their application of 6th February is not accepted and they can then send in a fresh proposal for the temporary lease not making use of the Board's usual application form for Building Leases. The file of papers is returned herewith.

Resolution.—The Western India Motor Company should be informed that their application, dated the 6th February, for a building lease of Plot No. 101 on the Board's Agripada Estate for a term of 99 years cannot be accepted.

QUEEN'S ROAD OVERBRIDGE.

Considered papers underlying Circular the following letter of 13th March and accompaniment's form the Secretary to Government, P. W. Department, Railway Branch:—

With para. 1 of my letter, dated 14th November 1905, were forwarded, for the information of the Trustees, copies of letters addressed by Government dated 14th November 1905, to the address of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay and to the President of the Municipal Corporation respectively, in the matter of the construction by B. B. & C. I. Railway Company, to the order of Government, of the overbridge to the North of the Chowpatti Level Crossing in connection with the Improvement Trust Street Scheme No. III.

2. In para. 3 of the letter to the address of the Municipal Commissioner, it was explained that the charges incidental to the construction of the overbridge, could not fall on the Railway Company and that they should equitably be borne by the Authority at whose instance Government had called on the Railway Company to provide the overbridge; that these incidental charges would include, in addition to the requisite land outside Railway limits which, in the present case was being provided by the Improvement Trust, the diversion at the cost of the Authority who had called for the overbridge, of all Municipal and other works in the line of the overbridge and its approaches; and that it necessarily followed that any allied changes such as claims for compensation by the owners of properties (if any) adversely affected by the overbridge should similarly be met by the same Authority.

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WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

How the Parisian Girl Dresses.

LATEST VAGARY OF THE CORSELET SKIRT.

LADIES' SPORTS.

LONDON, MARCH 16.

While cheap finery is not offered to the Paris girl with a sort purse, because she does not ask for it conversely the taste of the supplier also, to some extent, trains that of the customer. Experts say that the very cheapest dress which a Parisian shop-girl can buy—one at 19f 90c, for instance—has a style about it and is in the fashion. Would she find its equivalent in England? In Paris it is an axiom that there is only one fashion for rich and poor alike, and East-end hats and coster girl modes have no French equivalent whatever. It is true that the French girl devotes two-thirds of her life, as a rule to the study of dress. She knows, within a week, or so, what the great ladies are wearing, and while carefully refraining from aping their luxury, she follows their fashions closely. In short, she ask for style without finery. She would no more think of going to her work in an unfashionably cut dress than she would of hanging cheap ribbons, sham lace, and tin ornaments round herself. Hence are own special shops must keep as much up-to-date as the great couturiers, and the Rue de Rivoli, for instance, with the "Samaritaine" in the heart of a busy Paris which combines the characteristics of Covent-garden—let us say—Bishopsgate-street. Within has as to keep nearly abreast with the Bond-street of Paris, the Rue de la Paix, or at least not more than a month or two behind it. The goods Samaritan in question charitably prepares for short purses such blessings as "spring coats, newest Empire design, for 12f 75c a piece, or 10s 2 1/2d.

Presumably the midinette avails herself of these kind offices. Perhaps she could be as cheaply dressed in London. But the point is that in Paris she will, for the price, be in the fashion. Suppose her to have the shortest purse of any person who ever bought a new dress. Taus warned the saleswoman will bring out what she calls her most advantageous article a black or blue serge bolero costume, very dainty, neatly braided, 19f 90c. That works out at about 15s. 8d. It seems to be a standard article, and there are hundreds in stock. But the bolero is out just as it should be according to fashion, and there is no gulf between its style and that of the twenty-guinea walking frock of the Rue de la Paix. However, the Empire coat appears to be newer still, in fact it is up to the mark of the coming spring, and its braiding is in the neatest taste. As observed, it costs 10s 2 1-2d. With it may be chosen a sweet thing in black serge walking skirts for 9s 4 1-2d. There is a cheaper model, but it has, we believe, no straps, and the straps on the 9s. 4 1-2d. skirt are delicious with the braiding, as is pointed out. Anyhow, to the lay mind, there is about the whole thing that dainty, clever touch which one may call style.

This is all very sober and subdued. But the French girl's restraint in taste triumphs still more when she takes to light things. For 5s 4d she buys a dark blue and white check blouse, with blue silk kiltings, and for a total sum of 14s 8 1-2d is, in her way, well dressed. There is nothing about her that looks cheap, in the sense that it ought to have cost more to have fulfilled its purpose. Too many English girls with the same short purposes would be laden with adornment which pretends to be what it is not. The 5s 4d blouse pretends to nothing more than its own simple stylishness, which it attains. Another blouse, of blue and white print bird's-eye, with white embroidery, costing 2s 4 1-2d, pretends to still less, but it also has its own dainty style, and the girl who buys it has the sense to know that she looks better in it than in a once showy blouse, done up with 2s 4 1-2d worth of shaw lace and cotton ribbons.

On cheap hats; that ape hats at twenty guineas, a volume could be written. The French girl who wears hats, at 5f 90c does not go in for imitation ostrich feathers and a garden of badly-made artificial flowers. For 4s 9d she gets a sailor, trimmed with velvet and satin loops in green and blue, which does not look cheap. For high days and holidays there is a 12s hat in brown straw, with roses and satin loops. There are dozens of others, but the models change continually, and the shop cannot guarantee having them in stock. Even the 4s 9d must be in the fashion. The French girl would rather have a 5f hat with the proper poise of the mode of the moment about it, and that indefinable something called style, than one having cost ten times the money a year ago, and laden with ornaments to "freshen it up."

The bretelle-corselet skirt is proving its super-excellence in such a convincing manner that every country now coatends for the honour of having been its birthplace. As a matter of fact, however, it was so gradually evolved out of various styles that in no fashion centre more than another can it claim to having been invented. To the Americans—it is but fair to add—must be accorded the credit of having first discovered its merits, and its popularity at present shows little signs of wanning on either side of the Atlantic. Practically every day some fresh novelty is introduced as regards this fashionable style and the latest development, which takes the form of narrow bretelle, crossing over so as to form an X both in front of the corsage and behind, is receiving much attention from the authorities at present. An original feature is exemplified by the fact that each bretelle is buckled on either side, between the place where it is crossed and the shoulder, the skirt being fastened in this way each time it is put on.

As regards the buckles themselves, a large area of choice is afforded, and modern as well as antique specimens of all kinds are being pressed into service. For severe tailor styles in cloths or tweeds, plain enamel, steel, or the fashionable jet buckles are employed, whilst in the case of more elaborate toilettes jewelled slides or examples in old paste are usually substituted. A mixture of ecru and white will be very noticeable where the more elaborate summer blouses are concerned, and another point worthy of mention is the ubiquity of entire blouses of Irish crochet trimmed with bands of Russian peasant work embroidery in bright definite shades. Many of the new blouses are gathered full into yokes of embroidered lawn or lace, and when tucked into the high corselet skirts, which reach almost to the bust-line, have a very smart and charming effect.

Chiffon flowers are still as popular as ever, and supplemented with leaves and stalks of shaded ribbon, are largely used in the ornamentation of afternoon blouses, as well as the little lace coats which are so popular. In the case of the latter, petals and leaves of mousseline de soie are frequently applique to the lace, where the design indicates the position of flowers or foliage, while borders of tiny gold gauze rosebuds are used to edge the revers or fronts of the boleros. Silver sequins are likewise adopted on amore by the French dressmakers.

Ireland beat Wales, at Dublin, in the first international hockey match of the season by 6 goals to 1, after a very spirited match, in which plucky little Wales thoroughly deserved their first score against an Irish team, and nearly equalled their opponents' play all through the second half, a fine performance, considering they only had four old internationals in the Welsh team, and never played together before the match. As Ballsbaugh Ireland had the tables turned very decisively, as she was beaten by Scotland by 7 goals to 1, no less than five of which were scored by Miss A. Jones, the Scottish centre, who was backed up by a very trustworthy and hardworking team. Ireland plays England shortly at Dublin, and will have all the better chance, since three of the picked English players will be unable to go, viz., Miss Johnson the goal, Miss Murray, the left back, from illness; and Miss Evans, the Cambridgeshire centre forward. This may give a chance to Miss Redgrave, of Dorset shire, in goal, and Miss Theed, the Surrey centre, but Miss Murray will be difficult to replace. Of the other English players Miss F. A. Mack (right back), captain of Lancashire and the Week, was first selected last year.

THE BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

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Mr. D. E. Wacha said that Sir Pherozeshah was connected with the Bombay Municipality for the past thirty-five years and during that time he had done good work which neither busts nor statues would surpass, (Hear, hear), because, he considered that the work Sir Pherozeshah had done was in itself monumental of his impartiality and all other good qualities that were to be found in a public citizen. The great intellectual interest that Sir Pherozeshah took in his Municipal work was well-known to them. He considered Sir Pherozshah to be the very valuable asset of the country, and said it would be an evil day for India when they would lose him. Were it not for Sir Pherozeshah's personality, he was constrained to say that the Corporation to-day would not have been a model Corporation of India. The speaker here quoted the words of Sir Albert Rollit of the London County Council, as to his idea of a model Municipal President, and left it with the members to see how those idea's were put to perfection by their own retiring President. In conclusion he said that in their local democracy, Sir Pherozeshah was the "Prince of democracy." (Cheers).

The new President also concurred with the remarks of the previous speakers.

The proposition was then put to the vote and was unanimously carried with enthusiasm and acclamation.

THE RETIRED PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

The Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta rose amidst cheers for a response. He said he did not think he would be wanting in the power to make a speech on that occasion, but that occasion was an exception when he did not like to speak much of himself. But from that, he hoped, the Corporation would not think that he was less grateful to them for the kind way in which they had appreciated his services. He was stirred by the thanks accorded to him and by the friendliness and regard shown to him by the Corporation during the time that he was connected with that body for the past thirty-four years. He claimed no credit, and no member of the Corporation could claim any credit for the work they did in the cause of their city. They all loved their city and any work they did for their city must therefore be a pleasure to them. He did all Municipal work that he could, not solely because that was thrust on him, but he had such work taken upon himself as a labour of love. Thanking them again, he would not withhold saying that if he met with any success in the course of the last year in the discharge of his duties as their President, that success was in no small measure due to their co-operation. His work was rendered very easy by the assistance of Mr. M. N. Wadia, Municipal Secretary, who had reduced the work of his office to a system of perfect organization. He would also like to say a word of acknowledgment of the assistance and help of the gentleman who acted for Mr. Wadia during his short leave of absence,—he meant Mr. Marsnall. No President could do his work successfully unless he was helped by the gentleman who always sat on his left hand, and that was the Municipal Commissioner. (Hear hear.) He was always very much struck by the way in which Mr. W. D. Shepherd, the Municipal Commissioner deals with all Municipal and other questions before him. He had also a word to say for the Chairman of the Standing Committee. The Corporation could cope very well with the work before them, only by the way in which the Chairman placed the work of the Committee before them. Dr. Dadachanji had placed the Municipal Budget before the Corporation in a most efficient and able manner. In short, without their co-operation one could not ever meet with any success. Now in having those matters along, he had one more observation to make. The joint work of their joint co-operation had shown to the public of this city as well as to the public of India, what a business-like body the Bombay Municipal Corporation was It was sometimes said that they talked a great deal at the meetings. But his answer to that criticism was that to certain extent it was necessary that they should talk and discuss all matters before them. They could not arrive at the truth of a thing without much discussing it, might be with some confusion of thought or language. It was impossible to arrive at the right conclusion in matters of the greatest importance until they had a certain amount of talk over them, even irrelevant or confused. But they were not a talking body by any means. It seemed to appear from the reports in the public papers that they (the Corporation) were amusing themselves by talking nonsense. The papers gave very short reports and all the solid work the Corporation did occupied a very short space, and the nonsense was reported at a greater length. From this some drew the inference that the Corporation was doing practically nothing. But that inference was absolutely vague. Here the speaker quoted figures in respect of items on their agendas of the past five years and showed how expeditiously they had disposed of important matters during their comparatively few meetings. After a study of those figures, he said no citizen could say that to be a member of the Corporation was equal to losing one's time at their meetings. The figures showed that though sometimes they talked a little irrelevent, a little too much, or a little nonsense, yet on the whole they would find that the Corporation had done a very great amount of work. He was proud to say that the Corporation could claim to be a business-like body. They had 49 Committee meetings in the past year when they disposed off important questions connected with the drainage, water works, and other varied subjects, including the health of the city. The Corporation could take credit to themselves for the way in which they discharged their public duties. (Applause).

The consideration of the question of the "Standard Time" has postponed, and after transacting some other business, the meeting adjourned.

ROYAL VISIT FUND.

A MEETING of the Royal Visit Fund Committee was held yesterday evening at 6 p.m., at the Municipal Council Hall, the Honourable Sir Lawrence Jenkins presiding :—

The following is the statement of Receipts and disbursements:—Subscriptions Rs. 4,75,420-5-2, Donation, being balance of the Coronation Fund handed by Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, C. I. E. Rs. 8,000, interest on Investments Rs. 1,923-4-10, total Rs. 4,85,343-10-0. Expenses connected with the opening ceremony of the laying of the foundation stone of the Museum Rs. 13,209-14-0 Expenses connected with the Peoples' Fair Rs. 34,674-12-9, expenses connected with entertainment to school children Rs. 15,867-4-10, expenses connected with illuminations and Decorations in the City Rs. 2,566-10-0, expenses incurred by the Municipality Rs. 24,252-8-0, Charges, etc.—Sheriff's Bill for public meeting Rs. 1,210-7-0, printing, stationery, advertisement, Postage, Clerical establishment, e c. Rs. 2,176-6-5, total Rs. 3,386-13-11, balance being Surplus Rs. 3,90,990-10-0, total Rs. 4,85,348-10-0.

SURPLUS ACCOUNT.

Surplus of receipts over expenditure Rs. 3,90,690-10-0, total Rs. 3 90,990 10 Investments in 4 per cent. City of Bombay Improvement Trust Bonds for Rs. 3,00,000 costing Rs 3,12,750 Investments in 3 1-2 per cent. Government Promissory Notes for Rs. 50,000 costing Rs. 49,140-10-0, 3 1-2 per cent Government Promissory Notes for Rs. 8,000 handed over by Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, C. I. E. Rs. 8,000, Cash at the Bank of Bombay and in hand Rs. 2,850, total Rs 3,90,990 10 0.

The Honourable Sir Pherozeshah Mehta in moving the adoption of the statement of receipts and disbursements said that it showed a very good and favourable result. The expenses were really very moderate and great credit was due to those who carried on the work. The collections were very promptly made and it was universally acknowledged that this was due to the exertions of Mr. D. E. Wacha as also to Mr. Murzban, Mr. Sheppard Mr. McElain and Mr. James MacDonald for the success of the work achieved during the Royal Visit. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna seconded the resolution which was unanimously carried.

The Honourable Mr. Dunn proposed that the Chairman be authorised to hand over the balance of Rs. 2,73,573 to the Government of Bombay, as a contribution of the Municipality and the City of Bombay in general towards the Museum Mr. Rustomji Byramji Jeejeebhoy seconded the proposition which was carried. The meeting was then closed after votes of thanks were passed to the Chairman and the Secretaries for the able [illegible] during the visit of their Royal [illegible]

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT. During piercing winds and excessive variations of temperature every one is more or less liable to internal and external diseases. Throat, chest, liver, bowels, kidneys and skin all suffer in some degree, and may be relieved by rubbing in this Ointment, aided by proper doses of the Pills, for adult life during which full directions accompany each box; in truth as one who thoroughly masters Holloway's "Instructions" will, in remedying disease, exchange the labour of an hour for the profit of a lifetime. All bronchial, pulmonary and throat disorders require that the treatment should be thoroughly well rubbed upon the skin twice a day with great regularity, considerable briskness, and much persistence.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

(Concluded from page 5.)

As against the Municipal Commissioner's letter to the Agent, B. B. & C. I. Railway Company, repudiating liability in this respect, it was suggested to him (on what has since been pointed out by the Corporation to have been a misapprehension of facts, vide sequel) that the overbridge was being ordered by Government in compliance with the request of the Improvement Trust at the instance of the Corporation in the interests of the improvements of the communications in the City, as the site suggested by the Corporation and that the Corporation should therefore be prepared to meet the said charges.

I am now to forward copy of a letter from the Presidents, Municipal Corporation, dated 26th February representing, for reasons assigned, that the Bridge at the site decided upon by Government is not being undertaken at the instance of Corporation and expressing their opinion that, in so far as the liability to pay the cost diverting the drains sewers, etc., does not rest on the Railway Company, it must rest on the Improvement Trust, which is the Authority responsible for the construction of the new street and which would, apart from the question of the Bridge, be responsible for alterations of the drains, sewers, etc., necessitated by their operations.

The President's letter would appear to state the facts correctly. In the circumstances I am to request that you will kindly move the Trustees to accept the liability for the cost of diverting the drains, sewers and other works in the line of the overbridge and its approaches and to arrange in communication with the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, for the carrying out of those diversions, as early as possible, as pending the execution of that work, the Railway Administration is unable to proceed with the work on the overbridge.

The attached extract paras, 1 and 2 from the Municipal Commissioner's letter to the Agent, B. B. and C. I. Railway Company dated 25th July 1905, shows that the cost of these diversions will be a little more than Rs. 15,000.

I am also to request that the Trustees may be moved to formally record their acceptance of the further incidental liability regarding any allied charges, such as claims for compensation by the owners of properties (if any) adversely affected by the overbridge.

I am to request that this communication may be kindly treated as urgent and that Government may be favoured with a reply at an early date.

Municipal Corporation Office, Bombay, 26th February.

From the Hon'ble Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, M. A., K. C. I. E., President, Municipal Corporation, Bombay;

To the Secretary to Government, P. W. Department, Railway Branch.

Sir,—I have the honour, by desire of the Municipal Corporation of Bombay, to reply as follows to your letter, dated the 14th November, regarding the proposal of Government that the Corporation should bear certain charges in connection with the construction by the B. B. and C. I. Railway of an overbridge to the North of the Chowpatty Level Crossing.

It appears desirable that the history of this question should be briefly given in the first instance, so that the situation may be made perfectly clear to Government.

The City Improvement Trust submitted their Street Scheme No. III (Chinch Bunder Road to Queen's Road) in February 1901, and when sanctioning it in Government Resolution (General Department) dated 13th November 1901, Government remarked: "The amount of Rs. 2 lakhs should be added to the estimate for this Scheme to meet the cost of a bridge over the B. B. and C. I. Railway at the point of connection of the New Road with Queen's Road, as such a bridge is a necessary incident to the completion of the Scheme."

The Board of the Improvement Trust thereupon represented to Government that they had purposely committed from the estimates of the Scheme any provision for a bridge as it was understood that the Railway Company was under obligation to construct such a bridge, and by Resolution (General Department), dated 25th June 1902, Government informed the Chairman that upon a full consideration of the subject they were prepared (1) to waive the condition attached by Government Resolution No. 5118, dated 13th November 1901, to the sanction accorded to the Scheme No. III, and (2) to call upon the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company to construct an overbridge near the Charni Road Level Crossing at such point as Government, after consulting the Trust, may decide upon. They remarked, however, that such a position must be chosen for the overbridge as might best permit of the Trust connecting its two ends with existing roads.

Accordingly under date the 15th July 1902 Government requested the opinion of the Trust as to the best position for an overbridge near the Charni Road Level Crossing Government Memorandum, General Department, and the matter was considered by the Improvements Committee of the Board on the report of their Engineer, who suggested that if the Leve the Crossing had to be closed, the French Bridge should be removed and a new bridge be constructed at the point where the Main Road of the Board's Scheme No. III was to cross the Railway; and they recommended that the Engineers proposals should in the first instance, be referred to the Municipal Commissioner for the consideration of the Corporation and for their opinion as to the alignment which would best serve the convenience of the general public. This recommendation being adopted by the Board, the question thus came before the Corporation, who referred it to a Committee. This Committee (with one dissentient who preferred to have the overbridge at the Level Crossing or to the South of it) reported that in their opinion, which was concurred in the Commissioner, the best arrangement would be to have an overbridge constructed at the crossing of the Main Road of the Bombay Improvement Trust Scheme No. III, as proposed in the communication from the Trust received with the Commissioners letter dated 29th September 1902, and they incidentally expressed the opinion that the Level Crossing should be left undisturbed for the present.

When this report came before Corporation they resolved to record it and to inform the Commissioner they were of opinion that it would be convenient to have an overbridge at the existing Level Crossing at Charni Road.

This was communicated to the Improvement Trust who by their Resolution dated 6th October 1902, decided to forward the report of the Committee of the Corporaration and the Corporation Resolution thereon to Government, and at the same time to inform Government that the Board were of opinion that the most suitable position for the overbridge would be at the crossing of the New Road to be constructed in connection with Scheme No. III.

This opinion was accepted by Government in their Resolution (P. W. D., Railway) dated 11th July 1904, and the site for the bridge has thus been fixed accordingly.

A consideration of the foregoing makes it amply clear that this bridge is not being undertaken at the instance of the Municipal Corporation, nor is is to be constructed at the site suggested by the Corporation as stated in Government letter dated 14th November 1905, to the Municipal Commissioner, but it is being built at the instance of Government, on opinion expressed by the Improvement Trust, and the site is that suggested by the Improvement Trust and rejected by the Corporation in favour of a site close to the Level Crossing.

The Corporation are therefore respectfully of opinion that in so far as the liability to pay the cost of diverting drains and sewers, &c., does not rest on the Railway Company, it must rest on the Improvement Trust which is the authority responsible for the construction of the new streets, and which would apart from the question of the bridge, be responsible for any alteration of the drains and sewers, etc., necessitated by their operations.

Extract 1 and 2 from the letter dated 25th July 1905, from the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, to the Agent, B. B. and C. I. Railway Bombay.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter of the 17th instant, I have the honour to forward herewith estimates amounting to Rs. 15,116'75 being the cost of the following works :—

	Rs.
Diverting storm-water drain.....	1,094
Do 12" and 9" pipe sewers.....	3 450
Picking up existing sewers and drains...	329
Diverting the 24" and 4" water mains ...	8,282
	13,145
Add—15 cent. for supervision.....	1,971 75
Total	15,116'75

To this amount will have to be added the cost of diverting the gas mains concering which a reference to the Gas Company appears necessary.

After discussion, the Chairman proposed the following Resolution. :—

Government should be informed that as the bridge is not being constructed in connection with an existing road, and, as apart from the question of a bridge the Trust would have been liable for the cost of the alterations in the sewers, water mains, &c., to necessitated by the construction of their New Road Scheme III, the Board accept the liability in question as mentioned in paras. 4 and 5 of Government letter (P. W. Department, Railway) dated 12th March.

Further discussion having ensued, consideration of the matter was postponed for want of time.

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SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell presided at a sitting of the Second Criminal Sessions yesterday, and the following case was heard before his lordship and a Special Jury.

THE MURDER IN DUNCAN ROAD.

Abdulla Miya, a young Mahomedan, was charged with committing the murder of Gajioo Kal, an unfortunate woman living in a chawl in Duncan Road, on the 21st ultimo, by striking her with a knife on various parts of her body. He was further charged with voluntarily causing grievous hurt, at the same time and place, to Nandubai, sister of the deceased Gajoo. The Hon. Mr. Raikes, Advocate General, with Mr. K. B. Desai, appeared for the Crown. Mr. Weldon defended the accused. The following gentlemen were empanelled to serve on the

SPECIAL JURY.

Mr. Richard A. Wills, Foreman.

Mr G S Nar simham	Mr Sorabji P N Wadia
Mr Burjorji S N Cooper	Mr Manekji H Vajifdar
Mr E E Coombs	Mr R Haines
Mr B R H Jackson	Mr Kalkhasru N Chandabhoy

The Hon. Mr. Raikes, in opening the case to the jury read the sections of the Penal Code bearing on the case, and said that the deceased Gajjoo was the sister of the other woman Nandu, and lived with her in the same chawl in Duncan Road. The accused was acquainted with the sisters, and was intimate with the deceased. About ten days before the murder, the accused ceased visiting Gajju, as she had refused to live with him on certain terms which he proposed to her. On the evening of the 21st ult., the accused went to Gajju's room and invited her to follow him into an inner room. She refused to do so. When the accused took out a knife from his pocket and stabbed her in several parts of her body. Nandu, the sister, caught hold of the accused's hands and raised an alarm, whereupon accused struck her with the knife. People came up, the accused was seized with the knife in his possession, and he was made over to the police. The deceased was taken to the Jamsetji Hospital, where her dying declaration was taken down by Mr. Kursondas Chhubildas; and she died soon after.

The accused, in her statements to the Court, said the deceased had been under his protection for eleven months, and he said to pay her ten or twelve annas daily. She afterwards took to another paramour, and he did not go to her ten or twelve days. One day, as he was passing her house, she used foul abuse to him, calling him a "bhatwa." On another occasion, she told him not to pass by her house. On the third day, he drank toddy, went to a theatre, and as he was returning from the theatre, he passed by the deceased's house, when she adjured him to come up stairs. He went up to her and told her not to be abusing him when he went along with his friends. She wished him to take her again under his protection, threatening to get him hanged if he did not. He was abused, and deceased came and fell upon him. He did not know what happened afterwards, as he was drunk.

Mr. Raikes, in addressing the jury, said that the blow struck by the accused in the region of the deceased's heart, five inches long, was one which the accused must have known would cause death. The evidence showed there was nothing which could reduce the offence to one of culpable homicide not amounting to murder. Her refusal to go to the accused in the inner room was no excuse for the offence. The story told by the accused in his statement to the Court was quite inconsistent with the evidence and inherent probabilities of the case.

Mr. Weldon, on behalf of the accused, urged that the wounds which the deceased received were purely accidental. Nandu, a woman, had caught his hands, and he struggled with her to set himself free, and in the attempt the wounds were inflicted. He did not voluntarily inflict the injuries; they were inflicted in his struggle to get away from the clutches of the woman Nandu.

His lordship, in summing up the case said there could be no doubt that woman Gajju met her death at the hands of the accused. As to the exact circumstances under which the offence was committed, his lordship attached great weight to the dying deposition which the woman had made in the hospital. His lordship attached great weight also to the threat used by the accused to the deceased, his going away in early part of the evening, and returning at a later hour with the knife in his possession. If he did not intend to commit the crime, for what purpose did he go way? and for what purpose did he bring the knife with him?

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty of murder. His lordship entirely agreed with the verdict, remarking that it was a cruel and deliberate murder of which the accused was found guilty. He was sentenced to death.

HOUSE-BREAKING BY NIGHT.

The following cases were tried before his lordship and a common jury.

Narayen Sunderji and Mahomed Husain were charged with house-breaking by night and thefts. Mr. T. M. Kajji, instructed by Mr. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown. It appeared that about 2 o'clock on the morning of the 11th March last, two policemen were doing patrol duty in the native town, when they saw a person sitting on a bench in the verandah of a goldsmith a house. On going up, they found the first accused, whose explanations in answer to the policemen were quite unsatisfactory. The padlock of the door of the house had been opened and was lying on the floor. On further enquiry the police found the second accused inside the house, with some property, matches, and a gimlet lying on the floor. The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty, and accused No. 1, an old offender, was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for five years; and No. 2 for three years.

THEFT OF CURRENCY NOTES, ETC.

Ladak Pradhan and Pradhan Ookerda were charged with the theft of currency notes, cash, and ornaments of the aggregate value of Rs. 17,000, the property of one Morarji Mowji. The second accused was further charged with dishonestly retaining stolen property. Mr. Gadgil, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown. The first prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for five years. The trial of the second accused, Pradhan Ookerda, was then proceeded with. It was stated that the theft was committed on the 20th January 1905 by the first accused at the instigation of the second. Evidence was led for the prosecution, and further enquiry was adjourned till 10-30 a.m., to-day.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, APRIL 5.

Scattered rain has occurred in Burma, Assam and the North-West Frontier Province rain and snow on the North-West Himalyas, Murree and Cherrapoonjee report half an inch of rain and Akyab Shillong, Gauhai and Darjeeling a quarter of an inch. Rain is probable in parts of Eastern Bengal and Assam, while rain and snow are probable on the North-West Himalayas.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 5TH APRIL.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been generally small and irregular with the exception of a brisk fall at Jhansi.

Winds are variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

Temperature variations from normal are small and show a steady rise in some places. The highest temperature in the shade was 106° at Bellary and Cuddapah and the lowest 64° at Lahore, Jubbulpore and Mormugao.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast at Delhi, Agra, Cochin, Madras and Jask.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather is fine in the Bombay Presidency, but an area of low pressure appears to exist in Upper Sind, where winds are rather cyclonic.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

YEMEN, if reports speaks true, seems to be well on the road to becoming what a Yankee General has termed a "howling wilderness." Sana's population in the last few months has been reduced from 70,000 to 20,000, and the country between the capital, and the coast is said to have been almost entirely denuded of its inhabitants. Mr. Leland Buxton, who has lately returned from a tour in the country gives a terrible picture of the sufferings endured both by the rebels and the Turkish troops in the siege of Sana, which was recovered quite recently by Faiz Pasha. Both sides, he says, were often on the verge of starvation, cannibalism being freely resorted to at times both by Turks and Arabs. "One Turk himself admitted that he had killed and eaten three Arabs. The dogs, which are a characteristic feature of most Eastern towns, had disappeared, both they and the cats having been used as food." The Turks have never been remarkable for "unadobasi," and in the present instance their transport arrangements appear to have entirely broken down.

THE LONDON 'BUS DRIVER.

BY AN OUTSIDE FARE.

He sits aloft with a detached, almost dignified air, as becomes the Gentleman of the Road. There is a breadth, a simplicity about his rugged features often to be seen in those who earn their living in the open air. The [illegible] form has passed and his cape is flung back. [illegible] weather has whipped his cheeks to [illegible] than ever. He knows his worth, and is [illegible] nothing that he wears a hat such as Mr. Pickwick might have owned and never forgets his daily buttonhole. Through the roar of the London [illegible] he drives with a light rein, and he has never known what it is to stand "before the board," for like a hairdresser, he rarely starts a customer [illegible] but from [illegible] part of his business [illegible] in the shape of stable money—instead of receiving them, and as he drops your proffered cigar into his hat you feel convinced that the favour is as much yours as his. We are old acquaintances. When we chance to meet on an "off" Sunday, with the blushing honours of domesticity thick upon us, we greet each other like gentlemen. On the road he is known as Old Harry. Old in service he is, as most of his class, with nearly thirty years' record behind him, but, as he once explained to me, a man is as old as he looks, and, a convinced believer in the hygiene of the open air, he carries his burden like a feather. We were changing horses at the cross-roads, and as he deftly caught the reins on his whip he took occasion to point his moral. "Now, that stableman," nodding towards a meagre, wizened figure on the kerb, "is only thirty-five and he looks double." "The precocity of senile decay," I venture to murmur, and, always polite, he accepts the comment with an indulgent smile.

To-day, as I leaned over the front rail to exchange greetings, a motor-bus whizzed by. A man who has been "on the road" for a generation [illegible]s none of his natural philosophy, but I fancied my friend's face showed a shade of annoyance. What Professor Skeat would like us to call a "buzzer" suggested the theme of our discourse. In the matter of buses the old order changeth, and I inquired what would become of the grey-headed veterans among the drivers "They'll be melted down for oil," came the retort and having discharged that shaft, Old Harry proceeded to give his view of the situation. His company he explained were teaching their first batch of drivers not only how to drive, but how to tackle elementary repairs. Whether they were much wiser in point of mechanical knowledge after their month in the Polytechnic he took leave to doubt, but, keeping his ears open, he gathered that some of them would eventually be employed as a kind of foreman, and that later batches would be taught little more than the art of driving. At any rate he believed the too-old-as-forty rule would be relaxed as some future time. And if so, he would be on the spot as one of the learners.

"Not," he went on, eyeing his whip as the cherished symbol of a worthy craft, "not that I like these motor-buses, but the public does, and that settles it. Look at us, now. What man can live healthier? We work long hours, of course, and don't get dainty meals like [illegible] man, but we're always breathing the fresh air up here. It stands to reason it's not so healthy on a motor, sitting down among the oil and things. And then there's the vibration [illegible] shake some years of life out of you.

"You lose [illegible]os'" I suggest. "Yes, that's where [illegible]ard. I was always fond of animals since [illegible] as a kid on a farm away in Suffolk I [illegible] horses. I like to talk a bit to my horses [illegible] whip 'em either, not even that; near [illegible] a proper silly, that's what I call her, but she can help it, and I get more out of her by kindness than if I was to take the skin off her back. There's some folk, as soon as they get a whip in their hands, must always be using it." Wonder what they all do when they get on a motor? Out to the farm? Yes, I helped my father with the stock—4,000 head of sheep. Got a good eye, too. The squire tried me at the plough when I was a lad of sixteen, and I kept a straighter line than some men of forty, and there wasn't anyone in the parish could beat me at quoits or penny-in-the-hole. But, in the end I came to London—thought I wasn't getting enough money, like young fools do. I've been on the 'bus twenty-eight years come next June, and its good odds I shall finish on a motor. You get a bit less, perhaps, but its shorter hours, and you ain't always paying out at the stables."

Should Old Harry be fated one day to exchange his noble beaver for an inglorious tweed cap, and descend from his lofty perch to [illegible] among the "oil and things," he will remain an honest John Bull, in spite of all, but as the worthy representative of a worthy class he will have vanished utterly. We are assisting at the passing of a type—one of the human elements in the complex character of our London streets. When the chairman of a great omnibus company talks of having 300 motors running by the end of the year, we recognise how inevitable is the doom. But the Londoner will not part with his gentlemen of the road without a sigh. Even by forcing his speed to the point of law breaking the motorist cannot cover his oilskins with romance. To the lover of the picturesque the now 'busman is degraded in a double sense by his descent from a commanding position to the level of the inside fare. Regarded as a symbol of professional pride, a spanner is a grotesque substitute for a whip that curves like the neck of a swan, nor could he bear it aloft unless he were endowed with another hand. These are disabilities shutting the motorist off from the amenities that belong to the public life of the true 'busman. Huddled over his steering-gear and his levers, he is fenced away from intimate and outside passenger talks, and even if he were not, the anxieties imposed by the mechanical monster he directs would forbid all friendly intercourse. No pretty housemaid may compliment him on his driving or his moustache no chatty smoker hand him a cheap cigar. But, after all, the lack of a whip is the fatal void. Lord Rothschild might endow his pension fund, and the motorist could offer no graceful acknowledgment by displaying his bonnet's colours according to the traditions of the busman's craft. And if his "governor's" daughter were to become a bride, who should offer the motorman a white ribbon to adorn his whip withal? No, no; for you and me, who ride on the top of a bus, Old Harry will have ceased to be when he steps down from his box and the horses turn into the stable for the last time.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

("Bombay Government Gazette," April 5)

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr K Damodarrai 4th grade Dy Asst Poll Agent is granted privilege leave for two months with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr N Himatram to act as 5th grade Dy Asst Poll Agent Palanpur during the absence on leave of Mr K Damodarrai or pending further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to extend the tenure of Mirza A A Baig B A of his present appointment of Oriental Translator to Govt up to the 31st March 1907.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr D G Ommanney Dist Supdt of Police Hyderabad passed on the 15th March an examination in Sindhi.

Mr H A Just Jailor in the Central Prison Ahmedabad to be substantive prison, Supdt of the Karachi Prison vice Mr Daniel Solomon retiring.

Mr S A Valdya Mamlatdari patha Shirala in the district of Satara to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar.

Mr R M Phillips Dy Commr of Police B'bay is granted privilege leave for one month with effect from the 2nd April or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr G Balvant Laghate 2nd class Subordinate Judge Nevasa and Shevgaon is granted leave on M C for 3 months with effect from the 7th March.

Mr D Wamen Bhat Sabord Judge Tasgaon, Tasgaon Taluka, Mr K Rangrao Jalbal Sutord Judge Vita and Dahivadi, Vita and Dahevadi Taluka, in the district of Satara are appointed, to be Magistrate of the 1st class in that district and are invested with additional powers.

Mr A Lucas I C S Judge and Sessions Judge Satara is granted privilege leave for 2 months and 21 days with effect from the 30th May in combination with the ensuing summer vacation.

Mr P E Percival B A (Oxon) Bar-at Law, I C S to act as Junge and Sessions Judge Satara during Mr Lucas' absence on leave or pending further orders.

Mr Ramanji Peroonji Mankari patha Hassot in the district of Broach to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar.

Mr A E Cumming City Magte Karachi is granted with effect from the date of relief, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough on M C for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to one year.

Mr E Sanis to act as City Magte Karachi during the absence on leave of Mr Cumming or pending further orders.

Mr R Knight I S, Judge and Sessions Judge Ahmedabad is granted privilege leave for 38 days with effect from the 20th May in combination with the ensuing summer vacation.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, April 6.

The Wheel Cup and Squad and Guard Mounting Competitions will take place at Colaba North Fort to-morrow Saturday the 7th instant at 5 p.m.

The Drill hall at Nesbit lane will be opened at 6-30 p.m. to-day (Friday) for the issue of arms and accoutrements to competitors and for drill.

ARMS.

All arms and accoutrements are to be returned to Head Quarters as early as possible for inspection.

A. STIFFE, Capt. R.A.,
Adjt. B. V. A.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

A chimney sweep was charged at Shrewsbury with stealing lead from the roof of the verandah of a freehold dwelling-house, but was discharged by order of the Recorder, who held that the lead, having been attached to the roof of a verandah, became part of the freehold, and, as freehold, it was land, and land could not be stolen.

Permission was recently sought from the Australian Government for the exclusive right to capture in and around Sharks Bay and rays, sharks, and cetaceans. The object is to manufacture oil and, as a by-product, fertilisers. It is expected that a commencement can be made with a capital of between £8000 and £9000.

One of the most felicitous references to the approaching marriage of the King of Spain and an English Princess comes from Canada. Professor Butler, of the University of Toronto, in proposing the toast of "Our King and Emperor, at a recent banquet, incidentally remarked: Ours is a King who neither shakes the mailed fist nor parades up and down with a big stick; a King whose niece invades Spain with a chaperone more successfully than Philip invaded England with the great Armada.

One of the most treasured possessions of the late Canon Tristram, the famous ornithologist, whose death is announced, writes a home paper, was an ordinary soda-water bottle which played a not unimportant part in his adventurous career. Once when on his travels he seized upon what he thought was a lizard in the sand, but which proved to be a dealy horned viper. His Greek boatman, scared almost out of his life, proffered no assistance. Suddenly espying an empty soda-water bottle, the canon, with consummate presence of mind, forced the head of the reptile down the neck, and slowly uncoiled from his hand the remainder of its anatomy. When he regained his ship he filled the bottle with whisky, and from that day to this, paradoxical though it may appear, the viper has been in good spirits.

Sir Algernon West's story in the Cornhill of Mr. Gladstone, who hated tobacco, smoking a cigarette to put a dinner-guest at his ease (the guest being the Prince of Wales) reminds the Chronicle of a similar story of Jowett, the great Master of Balliol, who also hated tobacco. There had been a little quarrel between the Master and the other Balliol dons, and Jowett celebrated their reconciliation by dining in Hall on the following Sunday. After dinner he noticed a certain awkwardness, and guessed its cause. So he said, I think I should like a cigarette. Every one joyfully lit up at once, and Jowett gently blew down his cigarette until enough was consumed to save appearances.

The Rev. P. J. Murphy at the dinner of the Mile-end New Town Philanthropic Society, told a story of an old Irishwoman who asked him if he could give her a ticket. He said he thought he had got one. She replied: Good luck to ye father. I've eighty years on me now and I wish I could get a ticket to the other world. Well, he said, I've not got a ticket to the other world but I have some for coals, and I don't suppose you will want them there.

The problem as to whether fishes may be tamed in a state of liberty has just been solved by a Swiss physician, Dr. R. Fsslenrath, of Herisau. At the lake of Lugano he would sit down near the shore, with only his head emerging from the water for fully an hour, resting his hands on his knees and keeping in each of them a large piece of bread which was soaked in, slightly by the water. Some members of the very youngest broods finally came near him and picked up some of the bread, but immediately made a hurried flight. As days went on, however, they became more confident, and the older members of the fish family by and by followed their example until, all the fishes swarmed freely round the doctor, undisturbed by his motions, enjoying the meal offered by him. At last he could even stroke and handle them, or splash violently in the water without in the least disturbing the fishes.

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Sir Andrew Macdonald, at one time Lord Provost of Edinburgh, who has just retired from public life, during his term as Chief Magistrate took a holiday at Nice, and the present King happened to be staying there at the same time. One day (says M. A. P.) the Provost and the King chanced to meet on the Promenade. The King said: You are a busy man with our city affairs, and must find it difficult to get away from them. How do you manage to arrange it? Oh said Sir Andrew lightly, I just come, away I wish I could copy your example, said King Edward, laughing.

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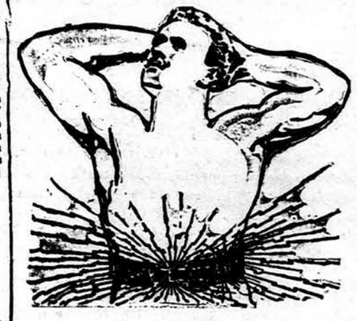

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M. A. P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

Miss CLOTILDE GRAVES, who has provided Miss Lena Ashwell with the play (The Bond of Nimon) with which the brilliant actress opens the Savoy at Easter on her own account, is a lady of uncommon versatility and cleverness. When a girl, she made up her mind to write for the stage, but she set about putting that decision into practical shape in a very different way to that usually adopted by ladies affected with similar symptoms. Instead of sitting down at once to the task of becoming a dramatist, Miss Clo Graves took supers' parts in travelling companies, that she might study the technical matters of production. Home again from the rough-and-tumble of touring, which was not then the luxurious proceeding it appears to be to-day, Miss Graves, with a plot in her head for a classical tragedy, betook herself day after day to the great circular reading-room of the British Museum, and in the silence of that place—a silence so very silent as to be positively distracting—consulted such ancient authorities as seemed best calculated to guide her in the matter of atmosphere and of locality. Her first play—the result of these researches—was a tragedy in blank verse, produced by Augustus Harris at a Drury Lane matinee.

Though still ambitious in the direction of stage work, Miss Graves, to keep things going went in extensively for journalism of the comic and the free lance order. The news of the week, all in rhyme, and appearing under the heading of The Hurdy-Gurdy Man, was supplied by her ready pen to the first page in July, in the days when the paper was edited by Charles H. Ross; and for the weekly illustrated papers, as well as for the monthly magazines she wrote stories and articles and verses galore. She was among the prominent contributors to Tom Hood's Comic Annual, and she wrote for Punch, the Gentleman, Fun—and, the Sporting Times!

For one of the numerous ladys' papers Miss Graves wrote the dramatic notices, and she had the colossal courage, when representing her paper in the vicinity of critic, to attend the first nights in male evening dress—save that there was a plain black tie in place of the usual your-know-what-I-m-referring-to, as Gilbert calls them in his ballad of The Perils of Invisibility. Her short hair was not of that shortness which on a man would be long, and which one always associates with the blue-stocking. It was cut in what if known as the military fashion so that what with this, her somewhat masculine countenance, her eye-glass, her buttonhole, her crush hat, and the usual accessories to the war point of the male it surprised the stranger considerably when he suddenly caught sight of her skirt.

Miss Dress-Clo Graves, as she used to be called in those days, did not, after the production of her Drury Lane blank-verse tragedy, go in again for plays of the kind. A girl with her capacity for observation could not have lived for long in the theatrical atmosphere without finding out that there was no money in the higher and more ambitious department of the drama. The dramatic critics praised her lofty effort with the sweetest and most encouraging words, the late Clement Scott taking up nearly a couple of columns for his laudatory remarks and his example exircsed. But the play did not get into the regular bill for all that, and Miss Graves turned her attention to comedy and farce. Pursuing the occupation of the free lance journalist with more energy than ever, Miss Clotilde Graves still found time for courting dramatic fame, and if the course of a few years she found herself the authoress of one or two very creditable farces, and of successful domestic comedies for Mrs. Kendal. And so it is with faith in the talent of Miss Graves, as well as in that of Miss Lena Ashwell, what one looks hopefully forward to the production of The Bond of Nimon.

With the church decorations of Eastertide the lily—especially the majestic Madonna lily, so largely employed on the religious canvases of Titian, Murillo, Correggio, Fra Angelico, and a host of other eminent artists of the middle ages—takes always a very conspicuous place. Miss Lena Ashwell's first appearance on the stage was associated with lilies, so that her next appearance, fixed as it is for Easter, is a happy one—if there is anything hopeful left now in theatrical superstition. Miss Ashwell made a great success at the Lyceum in Irving's beautiful production of King Arthur. Miss Ellen Terry, awarding the prizes at some dramatic academy, where Miss Ashwell was a promising pupil, picked her out specially for the Lyceum Elaine, and a lovely Elaine she was, realising in that barge scene, every thought of the poet who wrote—

Then rose the dumb old servitor, and the dead.
Oar'd by the dumb, went upward with the flood.
In her right hand the lily; in her left
The letter—all her bright hair streaming down—
And all the coverlid was cloth of gold
Drawn to her waist, and she herself in white,
All but her face and that clear-featured face
Was lovely, for she did not seem as dead,
But fast asleep, and lay as tho' she smiled.

The thought of lilies goes further in connection with this Eastertide production. We are told that Louis XIV. plays a prominent part in the story and was it not another Louis who, in the twelfth century adopted the iris-flower as his device, and so caused writers of the future, in their confusion between the iris-flower and the lily, to change Fleur-de Louis into Fleur-de-lis! Add to this that the lily is Miss Lena Ashwell's favourite flower, and the good luck which is supposed by some people to emanate from coincidence and the linking of kindred matter seems likely to be present in fine force on the occasion of Miss Lena Ashwells first appearance as an acress-manageress. I have heard mention of some very excellent names in relation to the male side of Miss Ashwell's cast at the Savoy, and altogether the chances of her seasons success seem decidedly favourable. As a brilliant representative of the Art department of the drama, as distinguished from its over-estimated scenery and effects section, Miss Ashwell deserves the best of the good fortunes that are occasionally to be picked up in theatreland.

An old friend of the Millward family, reading about the early days of Miss Jessie Millward the latest tenant of Mr. Distin Maddick's beautiful theatre in Fitzroy Street, has sent a very interesting little programme of a birthday party held some time ago at her father's house in Malden Crescent Chalk Farm The programme is interesting, as showing what a very artistic circle Miss Millward was brought up, in, and what a close connection she has had from childhood with the stage. The little printed relic has reference to a party given in celebration of the birthday of Miss Millwards siste Cissy; and here is its list of entertainment:

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The Barnes Quadrille.
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The Croft Waltz.
The Bessy Hollingshead Quadrilles.
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The Cremer Polka.
The Wilson Schottische.
The Burroughs Lancers.
Jessie Milwards Quadrille.

The names mentioned in the programme were those of the closest friends of the Millward family. The name of Toole needs no explanation. Pooly Brough stands for Mr. Lionel Brough's eldest daughter Mary who was so excellent at the Haymarket as the barmaid in Beauty and the Barge. Bessy Hollingshead was a sister of Honest John, the founder of Gaiety burlesque. Hingston was the bosom companion of Artemus Ward. The gentleman whose name of Burroughs was borrowed for the last set of Lancers was the Coleman Burroughs alluded to a week or two ago on George Augustus Sala's little jok on Mr. Millward's, pantomime. The Jessie Millward is of course, the heroine of the new play at the Scala The School for Husbands Irving was a frequent visitor at the actress's old home, and it was his habit, when reciting The Dream of Eugene Aram to the family circle, to stretch himself out on the rug before the fire with his body slightly raised on one elbow and his powerfully expressive face resting on his hand. His eyes shone in the firelight like burning coals themselves and little Jessie Millward didn't always sleep peacefully when she was sent up to bed after the recitation

Less than twelve months ago the assertiveness of youth on the stage was demonstrated by the fact that in three light operas the principal parts were played by four young ladies whose united ages totalled only seventy-two years an average of eighteen These ladies were Miss Adrienne Augarde, Miss Zena Dare, Miss Phyllis Dare, and Miss Mabel Green. Miss Green had just created the part of Marie Blanche in The Little Michus, and her performance had led to an outburst of unanimous praise from the Press which only occur on the appearance of an artist of exceptional gifts. Miss Mabel Green's success was spontaneous and complete, but it was due more to natural talents than to training or experience She had little of either and has seen scarcely anything of plays players, or houses. True, she thad a short engagement in The Cherry Girl, and appeared in the crowd in The Cingalee during the closing days of that strangely-born work but few besides her friends and Mr. George Edwardes could then have foreseen for a brilliant future. The retirement of Miss Maggie May from the rehearsals of The Little Michus persuaded Mr George Edwardes to give the young artist a chance, and in singing and acting Miss Green at once justified the choice of the astute manager in London.

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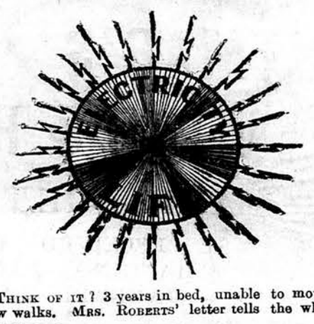

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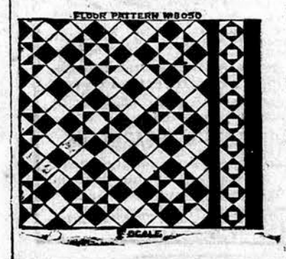

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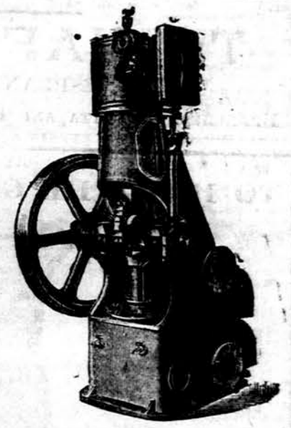

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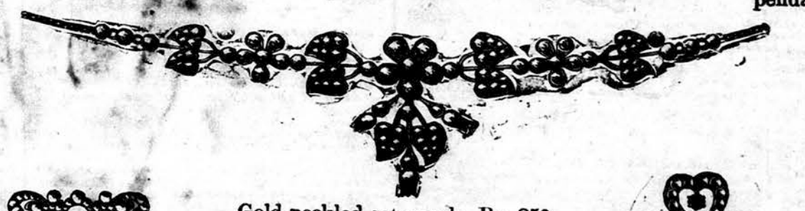

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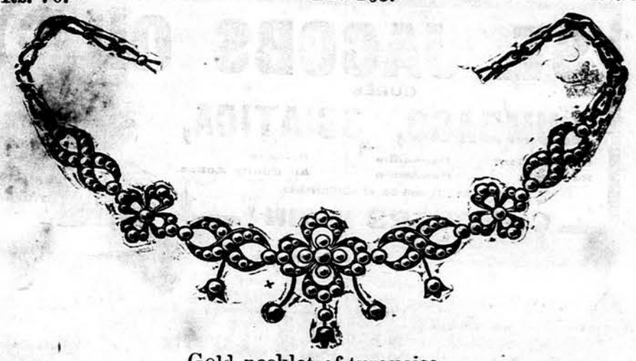

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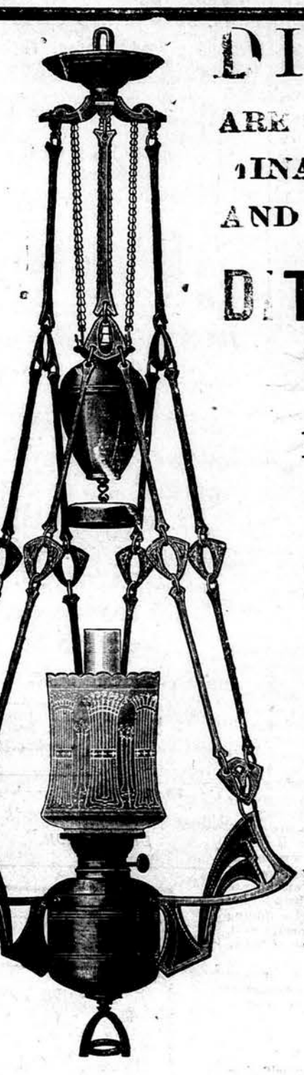

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